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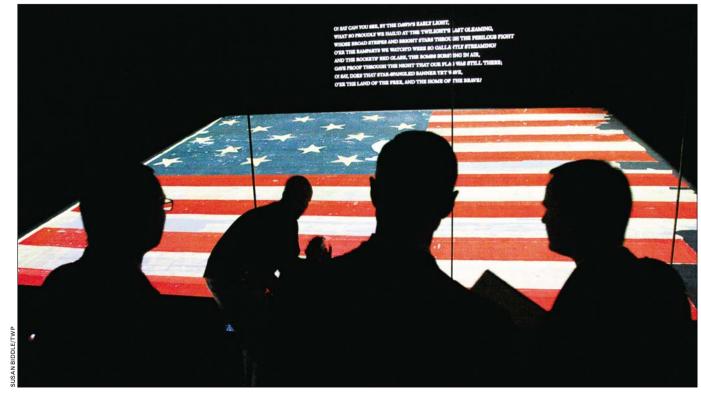
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A Star-Spangled Reopening on the Mall



HISTORY PROJECT: Attendees of Wednesday's rededication ceremony for the National Museum of American History look at the Star-Spangled Banner.

The museum will reopen Friday after being closed for two years for an \$85 million renovation project. ❖ Fee fight: Smithsonian may start charging | Page II

WeekendPass



Face-Lift: Brighter and more beautiful — a preview of what's new at the *National Museum of American History*. **** INSIDE**

Obama Taps Daschle for HHS

Former Senate majority leader agrees to take on health care

WASHINGTON | Former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle has accepted President-elect Barack Obama's offer to be secretary of Health and Human Services, Democratic officials said Wednesday.

The appointment has not been announced, but these officials said the job is Daschle's, barring an unforeseen problem as Obama's team reviews the background of the South Dakota Democrat. One area of review will include the lobbying connections of his wife,

Linda Hall Daschle, who has lobbied mostly on behalf of airline-related companies over the years. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the matter publicly.

Daschle was a close adviser to Obama throughout the former Illinois senator's White House campaign. He recently wrote a book on his proposals to improve health care, and he is working with former Senate leaders on recommendations to improve the system.

Organizations seeking to expand health coverage praised the selection. "Sen. Daschle has a deep commitment to securing high-quality, affordable health care for everyone in our nation," said Ron Pollack, executive director of Families USA. "His new leadership position confirms that the incoming Obama administration has made health care reform a top and early priority for action in 2009." (AP)

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An untimely sneeze nearly cost Andrew Hanson his life. The 42-year-old Weymouth, Mass., man told authorities that a sneeze caused him to lose control of his pickup on Soldiers Field Road and plunge into Boston's Charles River on Tuesday. Hanson was able to

wade to shore after escaping from the truck, which was partially submerged in four feet of water. He was not seriously injured but was taken to a hospital as a precaution. Lawrence Callahan of the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation said Hanson told him that after he sneezed, "the next thing he knew, he was in the river." (AP)

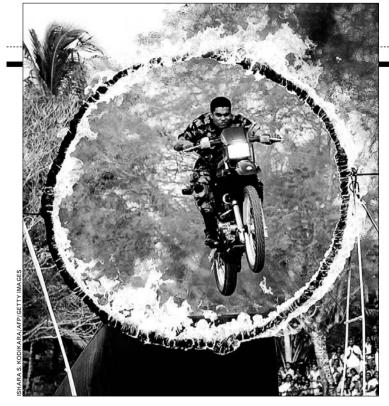
DARING ESCAPES

He Never Saw the Sea

A zoo in lowa has captured a flamingo that escaped and then flew over a Des Moines neighborhood, a golf course and the entire zoo during a seven-hour freedom flight. Blank Park Zoo workers clipped the adult Chilean flamingo's wings a second time after it was recaptured. The zoo's flamingos usually don't fly, because their wings have been clipped. But zoo spokesman Terry Rich says the birds can molt and regrow those feathers, enabling them to fly. Perhaps the flamingo will tell the other zoo animals of what he has seen, and will go down in animal legend as He Who Saw

end as He Who Saw
Des Moines and
Returned Home of
His Own Accord.
The honor will
never fade. (AP.

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PRACTICING

Pyro Victory

The Sri Lanka Police Special Task
Force spends most of its time in fierce
combat with the Tamil Tiger rebels. But earlier this week, in a parade
through Katukurunda, members of the
force took time to show locals just how
good they are. Here, a brave and steely
police commando rides his motorcycle through a ring of fire. It's not clear
how this skill aids in fighting rebels,
but it could be beneficial if the Ringling
Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus ever
travels to Sri Lanka. (EXPRESS)

CONFESSIONS

Art Imitates Stupidity

He shot a man twice and felt so good about it, police said, a rapper wrote a song about the shooting and called out the victim by name in it. A judge sentenced 25-year-old Rico Todriquez Wright Monday to spend the next 20 years in prison and another 20 on probation after his victim mentioned the hip-hop confession to police. Chad

Blue, 28, testified that companions egged Wright on as he chased and shot his victim in the thigh and groin. Later, Blue told police he recognized Wright's voice on a CD, rapping "Chad Blue knows how I shoot." (AP)



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MILES AWAY: U.S. motorists, stung by record gasoline prices, job losses and falling home prices, left the roadways in droves in September, logging almost 11 billion fewer miles, according to a new report from the U.S. Transportation Department.

Nation

In Brief



Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, will continue to lead Republicans in the House.

WASHINGTON

Boehner Retains Position As House Minority Leader

House Republicans on Wednesday re-elected John Boehner as leader of their depleted ranks while putting together a more conservative team to represent them in the next Congress. A popular leader with solid conservative credentials, Boehner was re-elected with only a token challenge from Rep. Dan Lungren of California. Eric Cantor of Virginia was elected as whip, and Mike Pence of Indiana was voted in as conference chair. (AP)

JEFFERSON CITY, MO.

McCain Wins Final State in 2008 Presidential Election

Republican John McCain has defeated President-elect Barack Obama in Missouri — the last state to be decided in the 2008 election. McCain's narrow victory over Obama breaks a streak in which Missourians had picked the winning presidential candidate in every election since 1956. With all jurisdictions reporting, McCain led Obama by 3,632 votes Wednesday out of more than 2.9 million cast. (AP)

HEARSAY | SCANDAL

"I try not to revisit that place too often, but when I think about his speech, I think of her face, her eyes, the hurt."

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Woolly Mammoth Genome Decoded

Scientists had never before mapped out an extinct animal's DNA

WASHINGTON | Scientists for the first time have unraveled much of the genetic code of an extinct animal, the ice age's woolly mammoth, and with it they are thawing Jurassic Park dreams.

Their groundbreaking achievement has them contemplating a once unimaginable future when certain prehistoric species might one day be resurrected.

"It could be done. The question is, just because we might be able

to do it one day, should we do it?" asked Stephan Schuster, the Penn State University biochemistry professor and co-author of the new research. "I would be surprised to see if it would take more than 10 or 20 years to do it."

The million-dollar project is a first rough draft, detailing the more than 3 billion DNA building blocks of the mammoth, according to the study published in Thursday's journal Nature. It's about 80 percent finished. But that's enough to give scientists new clues on the timing of evolution and the deadly intricacies of extinction.

The project relied on mammoth



This handout photo shows a ball of permafrost-preserved mammoth hair.

hair found frozen in the Siberian permafrost, instead of bone, giving biologists a new method to dig into ancient DNA.

Crucial to the mammoth mapping are about 20 hairballs. Past efforts to use ancient DNA were hampered because bacteria, viruses and parasites crept into the bone fossils during the millenia-old degradation process, making much of the found genetic material something other than what scientists study.

Schuster says that it should be possible to someday re-create any extinct creature "within the last 100,000 years" as long as it got trapped in permafrost and had hair. But that leaves out the Jurassic Period, the time of dinosaurs.

NEW YORK | A SPAN FOR KENNEDY



UNDER THE BRIDGE: Members and friends of the Kennedy family stand with public officials for the national anthem during a ceremony Wednesday to mark the official renaming of the Triborough Bridge as the Robert F. Kennedy Bridge. Kennedy, who would have turned 83 Thursday, was assassinated in 1968 while running for president. Robert F. Kennedy Jr. said the bridge was an appropriate tribute because his father "was about bridging all the differences."

Senate Cancels Vote on Auto Bailout

WASHINGTON | The Senate's top Democrat on Wednesday called off a planned vote this week on a \$25 billion auto industry bailout. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said he wanted to figure out some

way to help the Big Three but that efforts to do so had stalled.

The White House and congressional Republicans rejected Democrats' plan to dip into the \$700 billion Wall Street rescue fund

to finance loans to U.S. automakers.

A bipartisan group from auto industry states is working to cut a deal on a scaled-down aid package. If an agreement can be reached, Reid said, the Senate could still vote on it as part of a measure to extend jobless benefits. (AP)

Dow Falls Below 8K In Sell-Off

Industrial index, S&P hit their lowest levels since March of 2003

NEW YORK | Wall Street hit levels not seen since 2003 on Wednesday, with the Dow Jones industrial average plunging below the 8,000 mark as the fate of Detroit's Big Three automakers amid a slumping economy disheartened investors.

A cascade of selling occurred in the final minutes of the session as investors yanked money out of the market. For many, the real fear is that the recession might be even more protracted if Capitol Hill is unable to bail out the troubled auto industry.

The S&P 500, widely considered the broadest snapshot of corporate America, slipped 6.12 percent to 806.58, and the Dow gave up 5.07 percent to 7,997.28. Both closed at their lowest levels since March 2003.

The financial crisis has already wiped out \$6.69 trillion of value from the S&P 500 since its October 2007 high, and many fear more is to come. JOE BEL BRUNO AND SARA LEPRO (AP)

Nation



"I am deeply grateful to Alaskans for allowing me to serve them for 40 years in the U.S. Senate. It has been the greatest honor of my life."

—Sen. Ted Stevens, conceding defeat Wednesday in his re-election bid against Democrat Mark Begich.

Calif. Court Takes Up Gay Marriage

Supreme Court to rule on same-sex ban that voters passed Nov. 4

SAN FRANCISCO | California's highest court agreed Wednesday to hear several legal challenges to the state's new ban on same-sex marriage but refused to allow gay couples to resume marrying before it rules.

The California Supreme Court accepted three lawsuits seeking to nullify Proposition 8, a voter-approved constitutional amendment that overruled the court's decision that legalized gay marriage.



Participants gather Saturday at Volunteer Park in Seattle to protest California's Proposition 8, a constitutional amendment passed by voters to ban gay marriage.

All three cases claim the measure abridges the civil rights of a vulnerable minority group. They argue that voters alone did not have the authority to enact such a significant constitutional change.

As is its custom, the court elaborated little. However, the justices did say they want to address what effect, if any, a ruling upholding the amendment would have on the estimated 18,000 same-sex marriages that were sanctioned in California before election day.

Both opponents and supporters of Proposition 8 expressed confidence Wednesday that their arguments would prevail.

But they also agreed that the cases present the court's seven justices with complex questions that have few precedents in state case law.

The lawsuits argue that voters improperly abrogated the judiciary's authority by stripping same-sex couples of the right to wed after the high court earlier ruled it was discriminatory to prohibit gay men and lesbians from marrying.

"If given effect, Proposition 8 would work a dramatic, substantive change to our Constitution's 'underlying principles' of individual on a scale and scope never previously condoned by this court," lawyers for the same-sex couples stated in their petition. LISA LEFF (AP)

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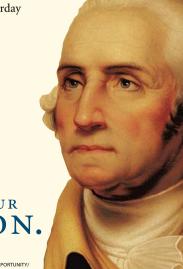
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Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., has not commented publicly on reports that she has been offered the secretary of state position in the Obama administration.

Sources: Clinton Torn on Job Offer

President-elect Obama wants senator to serve as secretary of state

CHICAGO | Associates of Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton said Wednesday the former first lady is weighing whether to leave the Senate and become secretary of state in the Obama administration, a job they say she believes is hers if she wants it.

Transition officials for President-elect Barack Obama said other candidates have been vetted for the job. But the New York senator has emerged as the leading contender, and the vetting of former president Bill Clinton has been particularly intense.

Associates say Hillary Clinton has been told that Obama wants her to be secretary of state, although accounts differ on how bluntly and directly Obama made the overture. The associates would speak only on grounds of anonymity because of the private nature of the negotiations.

Face-to-face meetings between

the transition team and lawyers representing the Clintons have ended, but aides to the presidentelect said some final vetting is still under way.

Hoping to ease concerns about possible conflicts of interest, Bill Clinton has shifted a long-stand-

Clinton had hoped to be a leading voice on health care in the Senate.

ing policy and agreed to publicly disclose the names of all donors who have given more than \$250 to his presidential library and foundation.

Friends said Hillary Clinton is torn about leaving the Senate, where she has served for nearly eight years and where she had hoped to be a leading voice on health care and other issues. She was expected to make a decision very soon. NEDRA PICKLER (AP)



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World



STILL 'NEW': Researchers in New Zealand have uncovered a previously unknown penguin species that disappeared about 500 years ago, the Waitaha penguin. The research suggests that the newly found penguins were hunted to extinction by the year 1500.

Pirates Pump Money Into Somalia

Coastal boomtowns thriving as criminals provide new business

MOGADISHU, SOMALIA | Somalia's increasingly brazen pirates are building sprawling stone houses, cruising in luxury cars, marrying beautiful women — even hiring caterers to prepare Western-style food for their hostages.

And in an impoverished country where every public institution has crumbled, they have become heroes in the steamy coastal dens they operate from because they are

the only real business in town.

"The pirates depend on us, and we benefit from them," said Sahra Sheik Dahir, a shop owner in Haradhere, the nearest village to where a hijacked Saudi Arabian supertanker carrying \$100 million in crude was anchored Wednesday.

These boomtowns are all the more shocking in light of Somalia's violence and poverty: Radical Islamists control most of the country's south, meting out lashings and stonings for accused criminals. There has been no effective central government in nearly 20 years, plunging this arid African

INDIANS SINK SUSPECTED 'MOTHER SHIP' OF PIRATES

- → In a rare victory against
 Somalia-based piracy, an Indian
 warship sank the suspected
 "mother ship" of pirates in the
 Gulf of Aden, Indian officials
 said Wednesday.
- → The attack occurred after India's INS Tabar asked to search the pirates' ship prompting the pirates to open fire.
- → The Indian fire sparked fires and onboard blasts that likely led the pirates' ship to sink. (AP)

ountry into chaos.

Life expectancy is just 46 years; a quarter of children die before they reach 5.

But in northern coastal towns like Haradhere, Eyl and Bossaso, the pirate economy is thriving, thanks to the money pouring in from pirate ransoms that have reached \$30 million this year alone.

"There are more shops, and business is booming because of the piracy," said Sugule Dahir, who runs a clothing shop in Eyl. "Internet cafes and telephone shops have opened, and people are just happier than before." MOHAMED OLAD HASSAN (AP)

Al-Qaeda No. 2 Slurs Obama

Leader uses offensive racial term in message about president-elect

CAIRO, EGYPT | Al-Qaeda's No. 2 slurred President-elect Barack Obama with a demeaning racial term for a black American who does the bidding of whites in a new Web message Wednesday intended to dent

Obama's popularity among Arabs and Muslims.

In al-Qaeda's first reaction to Obama's victory, Al-Zawahri tried to knock down the belief the



al-Zawahri

Obama would change U.S. policy and be more understanding of the developing world's concerns. He said Obama was the "direct opposite of honorable black Americans" like Malcolm X, the 1960s Muslim black rights leader.

Al-Zawahri also called Obama
— along with secretaries of state
Colin Powell and Condoleezza Rice
— "house Negroes."

The video included footage of speeches by Malcolm X in which he explains the term, saying black slaves who worked in their white masters' house were more servile than those who worked in the fields. MAAMOUN YOUSSEF (AP)

Cuba Evacuates 20,000 After Heavy Flooding

HAVANA | Heavy rains caused a river in eastern Cuba to overflow its banks, flooding highways and more than 2,000 homes, and leading authorities to evacuate nearly 20,000 people, state media said Wednesday.

The flooding was especially pronounced in Cuba's eastern province of Holguin, where heavy rains caused the Rio Grande river to overflow.

Severe flooding was also reported in the neighboring Caribbean islands of Grenada and Jamaica. There were no immediate reports of deaths on any of the three islands. (AP)

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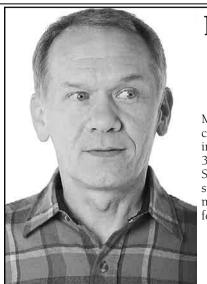


A DAY'S WORK: A Congolese woman named Furah carries her 18-month-old daughter, Shukyru, and a pile of wood she plans to sell in eastern Congo on Wednesday. Rebels in eastern Congo pulled hundreds of fighters back from front-line positions on Wednesday in what the United Nations said was a step toward establishing peace in the volatile nation.

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World

U.S. Suspected in Pakistan Strike

Raid targets village beyond tribal region, kills 6 alleged militants

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN | The U.S. military apparently struck at Islamic militants outside Pakistan's lawless tribal belt for the first time Wednesday, firing a missile that killed six suspected insurgents taking refuge away from the conflict zone along the Afghan border.

The government denounced the attack as yet another "grave provocation" amid a series of U.S. military operations in the country that have enflamed widespread anger among ordinary Pakistanis.

The harsh words were a sharp contrast to comments Tuesday by U.S. and NATO officials who reported increased cooperation from Pak-



Pakistani villagers sit near the rubble of a house destroyed by a suspected U.S. strike in Indi Khel, Pakistan, on Wednesday. The attack killed six alleged militants.

istan in the fight against militant groups. Tens of thousands of U.S. and NATO troops are stationed in neighboring Afghanistan.

"It looks like the Americans are not listening, but this is such a great provocation that it will bring a strong response from the government of Pakistan that will dissuade them," presidential spokesman Farhatullah Babar said of the strike.

The government, which relies heavily on U.S. financial aid, has not gone beyond criticizing raids. Some experts question whether the leadership secretly condones the attacks while speaking out publicly against them, but the government denies that.

The United States has staged about 20 missile strikes and at least one commando assault inside Pakistan since August. Stephen Graham (AP)

Media Leaders Protest Gaza's Ban on Press

JERUSALEM | Leaders of the world's biggest media organizations filed a protest with Israel's prime minister Wednesday, criticizing the government's decision to ban journalists from entering the Gaza Strip for the last two weeks.

The protest was the latest in a chorus of international criticism of Israel's Gaza closure, tightened after a five-month truce began unraveling about two weeks ago in a flurry of Israeli airstrikes against militants and Palestinian rocket barrages targeting Israeli towns.

Those signing the letter included Associated Press Chief Executive and President Tom Curley, Reuters Editor in Chief David Schlesinger, and New York Times Executive Editor Bill Keller. (AP)



World



VIRTUAL VISIT: Cultural riches from more than 2,000 years of European civilization are going digital Thursday as part of a new European Union online library project that is set to rival Google. Officials say users of Europeana.eu can broaden their knowledge of subjects as varied as the French "croque monsieur" and Homer's epics.

Serbia Bids Farewell to Yugo Autos

Company discontinues line of famously cheap subcompact vehicles

BELGRADE, SERBIA | Why does a Yugo have a defroster on the rear window?

To keep your hands warm while you push it.

That's just one of the "Yugo jokes" about the cheap and much-maligned

subcompact that won notoriety for being one of the worst cars ever exported to the United States.

Now, the last Yugo, once the pride of communist Yugoslavia's automobile industry, will roll off its Serbian production line Thursday in the central town of Kragujevac.

It will be missed here — but probably not in America.

Soon after it hit the U.S. markets



Yugo automobiles are produced in a factory in Kragujevac, Serbia, in June.

in 1986, selling for the bargain-basement price of just \$3,990, the boxy Yugo was derided by American car magazines "as barely qualifying as a car" and "an assembled bag of nuts and bolts."

U.S. owners complained of frequent engine failures and transmission problems — with the manual gear sticks sometimes detaching and ending up in drivers' hands.

When the U.S. Insurance Institute for Highway Safety conducted crash tests of 23 compacts in 1986, the car with the worst results was the Yugo, with \$2,197 worth of damage in slow-speed crashes against a flat barrier.

Still, more than 100,000 Yugo GVs — standing for Great Value — were sold in the U.S. before Yugo America — the company that imported them — went bankrupt and Washington imposed economic sanctions on Belgrade for fomenting wars in the Balkans in 1992. DUSAN STOJANOVIC (AP)



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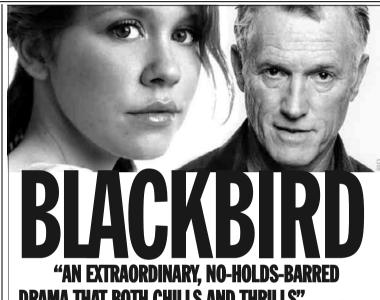
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FUNDRAISER: Organizers of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial said former president Bill Clinton will help raise funds to complete the project planned for the National Mall. The memorial foundation has raised \$100 million of the \$120 million needed to complete the project.



Local

Smithsonian Talks Admission Fees

1st open board meeting questions options for maintenance funding

WASHINGTON | Democratic Congressman Xavier Becerra promised Monday to "fight tooth and nail" against any effort to begin charging admission for the Smithsonian Institution museums, speaking at the first open meeting of its governing board in 162 years.

A questioner suggested the Smithsonian couldn't afford to

continue offering free access to its museums on the National Mall during tough economic times. The response from an audience of about 400 gathered at the National Museum of Natural History was a round of "boos."

"I don't think we want to do that to Americans, because what we possess is not only fabulous but hallowed," said Becerra of California. "Anyone who wants to charge, you have to walk through me."

No one in the audience was bold enough to challenge Becerra.

Still, one new member of the Smithsonian board said Americans have become "too inwardthinking" on investing in science and culture.

John McCarter Jr. — the president and chief executive of Chicago's Field Museum and who serves on the Smithsonian Board of Regents — said China, South Africa and many Persian Gulf nations are "investing big-time" in science, culture and history.

"Far be it from me to speak against free admission, so I won't do

that," McCarter said. "Free admission is great, [but] that is a dead end," he said. "We can't provide [free admission] by under-investing in these institutions."

Smithsonian officials have struggled with how to tackle a \$2.5 billion backlog on maintenance for its 19 museums, the National Zoo and numerous research centers. The museum complex relies on Congress to fund about 70 percent of its \$1 billion annual budget, but lawmakers have pressed the Smithsonian to become more self-reliant. (AP)

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A D.C. police officer facilitates moving a K-9 vehicle at Anacostia High School, where a stabbing took place during a fight Wednesday. Five students were hospitalized.

5 Hospitalized After SE High School Fight

Five students were hospitalized Wednesday afternoon after a fight at a Southeast Washington high school, police officials said.

Police said the violence was part of a series of disturbances Wednesday at Anacostia High School, on 16th Street SE. Three students suffered superficial cuts — apparently caused by a knife — one had an asthma attack, and another was hurt in the fight, they said.

Assistant Police Chief Diane Groomes, who was on the scene, said that the trouble started at 12:40 p.m. when students got into a fight on the second floor of the school. As that fight was ending, someone started a small fire, officials said. One report said the fire was in a trash can, but additional details were not immediately available.

Officials cleared the school, leading students to the football field. More fights broke out there, including one that led to the injuries. Officials said the altercations apparently stemmed from a dispute between two rival neighborhood groups.

More than 30 police responded to the trouble, along with fire-fighters. Police said two of the injured youths have been charged.
PAUL DUGGAN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Armed Man Caught Heading to D.C.

BALTIMORE | Baltimore police have arrested a man with a gun at a MARC station Wednesday, after he reportedly told a cab driver he wanted to be driven to The White House.

Baltimore Mayor Sheila Dixon's spokesman Ian Brennan said the cabdriver instead dropped the man

at the train station and reported the suspicious behavior to police. Brennan said officers spotted the man on a train. The man fell and broke his ankle attempting to flee police.

Brennan said the man left an assault-style rifle as he tried to flee. (AP)



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Money

Consumer Prices Plummet

But record 1 percent drop may not be good news for the economy

WASHINGTON | Consumer prices plunged by the largest amount in the past 61 years in October as gasoline pump prices dropped by a record amount.

The Labor Department said Wednesday that consumer prices fell by 1 percent last month, the biggest one-month decline on records that go back to February 1947. The drop was twice as large as the 0.5 percent decrease that analysts had been expecting and marked the third straight month that prices had either fallen or been unchanged.

The worry is that the recession, which many analysts believe will worsen in coming months, will further depress prices, hurting such industries as housing, autos and retailing, and contribute to a downward spiral that will feed on itself.

A separate report Wednesday showed that the woes in housing, where the economic troubles began two years ago, have yet to ease. Builders slashed construction of new homes and apartments to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 791,000 units in October, the slowest building pace on records that go



Shoppers check out clothing at an Old Navy store in Chicago Wednesday. Prices declined by the largest amount on record in October, giving shoppers a reprieve.

back nearly 50 years.

The drop in inflation reflected not only a huge fall in gasoline and energy

The percentage energy prices in the United States fell in October, led by a 14.2 percent drop

in gas prices.

spread declines in other areas. Core consumer prices, which exclude food and energy, fell by 0.1 percent last month, the first drop in core prices in more than a quarter-century.

costs, but also wide-

There were price declines for clothing, new and used cars, and

airline fares. Analysts predicted further declines in the months ahead as retailers struggle to attract consumers who are being battered by rising unemployment and the weak economy.

The retreat in consumer prices represented a remarkable turnaround from just a few months ago, when a relentless surge in energy prices raised concerns that inflation could get out of control.

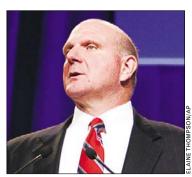
Since that time, the economy has been jolted by the most serious financial crisis in seven decades. MARTIN CRUTSINGER (AP)

Microsoft Won't Revive Yahoo Talks

CEO Ballmer dispels rumors of a new offer to buy Web company

BELLEVUE, WASH. | Microsoft Corp. is no longer interested in buying all of Yahoo Inc., CEO Steve Ballmer said Wednesday, though he told shareholders that the company would still be "very open" to a collaboration on Internet search. His comments sent Yahoo shares diving by 19 percent.

"Let me be clear," Ballmer said at Microsoft's annual shareholder meeting. "We are done with all acquisition discussions with Yahoo."



Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer says discussions to buy Yahoo are finished.

Yahoo spurned a \$47.5 billion takeover offer from Microsoft in May, and later rejected Microsoft's bid to buy only its search engine. Ballmer has said repeatedly that the buyout is off the table, though a search-related deal is possible.

But Wednesday marked the first time he had renewed that stance since the resignation announced this week by Yahoo CEO Jerry Yang, who had resisted Microsoft's overtures. Yahoo shares rose when Yang said he would step aside, because investors hoped it meant a deal with Microsoft would be more likely.

Some analysts have interpreted Ballmer's comments about a Yahoo buyout as negotiating posturing, and suspect Microsoft might still want to grab Yahoo at a low price However, analysts have also said Microsoft is likely to wait until next year before deciding. JESSICA MINTZ (AP)



ONE AND DONE? Oakland A's owner Lew Wolff has a way to shorten baseball's postseason: Make the first round the best of one. Begun in 1995, the division series has been a best-of-five competition. Some favor a best-of-seven format.

Sports

In Brief

RASFRALL

Mariners Make Wakamatsu Ist Asian-American Manager

Don Wakamatsu became the first Asian-American manager in Major League Baseball history when he was hired Wednesday by the Seattle Mariners. The Mariners' 14th manager, Wakamatsu was bench coach for the Oakland Athletics last season. Before that, he spent five years with the Texas Rangers. (AP)



Coco Crisp was traded to the Royals for Ramon Ramirez on Wednesday.

BASEBALL

Royals Acquire Crisp From Red Sox for Pitcher Ramirez

The Kansas City Royals picked up the leadoff hitter they had been seeking on Wednesday, acquiring center fielder Coco Crisp from the Boston Red Sox for reliever Ramon Ramirez. Kansas City was 12th among 14 AL teams in runs last season and added power last month, obtaining first baseman Mike Jacobs from Florida. The switch-hitting Crisp gives the Royals speed at the top of the lineup and a superb defender in center field who has World Series experience. (AP)

GOLF

Hayes Goes Honest Route, DQs Self From Tournament

J.P. Hayes disqualified himself from the PGA Tour Qualifying Tournament for inadvertently using a golf ball that isn't on the list approved for competition last week. It's not uncommon for PGA Tour members to call penalties on themselves in a sport that's self-policed. For the 43-year-old Hayes, it's particularly tough because it makes him ineligible to play full time on the PGA Tour in 2009. (AP)









 $Eight of 11 \, starters \, on \, of fense \, and \, defense, including \, punter \, Ryan \, Plackemeier, top \, left, \, lead \, the \, NFL \, in \, Pro \, Bowl \, voting \, so \, far.$

Redskins Rake in Votes

Fans are stuffing the Pro Bowl ballot box for the home team

REDSKINS | Randy Thomas stared in puzzled silence at the numbers for the longest time, and then finally starting laughing. If the Pro Bowl voting were to end right now, the veteran right guard would be on his way to Hawaii — along with 19

of his Washington Redskins teammates. "You've got to be kidding me," Thomas said. "Wow."

So far, it's the Redskins in a burgundy state landslide. Fans have responded in droves to an aggressive get-out-the-vote campaign conducted by one of the most market-savvy teams in the NFL, putting virtually everyone in the lineup — even those who haven't played much or have played well below

Pro Bowl caliber — ahead of the pack in the NFC.

The number of Redskins who are currently leading in the Pro Bowl voting. There were IG leading

last week.

The Redskins' campaign has been so effective that the NFL felt the need to raise the issue in an e-mail sent last week to the digital media departments of all 32 teams.



Chris Horton is one of the players benefiting from the "Redskins Ticket" ploy.

Right now, eight of the 11 NFC starters on both offense and defense would be Redskins, plus all four special teams players. Shawn Springs, who has missed six games with injuries, is the leading vote-getter at cornerback. Mike Sellers has one-third of the votes for fullback, giving him a huge margin over his nearest competitor.

The showering of votes represents another coup for Redskins owner Dan Snyder, whose marketing ploys have been far more successful than his football moves. In the spirit of the national presidential campaign, the team launched "Vote the Redskins Ticket" in October, featuring Hall of Fame legends Sonny Jurgensen and Sam Huff.

"We encouraged our fans to vote for the Pro Bowl, and they responded in record numbers," team spokesman Zack Bolno said. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

Receiver Kelly Finally Ready to Play

Rookie may see first action of the season against the Seahawks

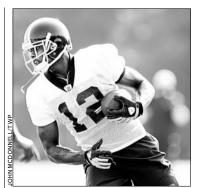
REDSKINS | Eager to contribute after having several weeks off to rest his bothersome left knee, Washington Redskins rookie wide receiver Malcolm Kelly was ready for practice to resume Wednesday at Redskins Park.

"This is easily the best I've felt since training camp," Kelly said.

"This is it."

His knee responded well after a full week of work last week, an encouraging sign for Kelly and the coaching staff, and the Redskins are hopeful Kelly could soon provide the big plays they envisioned when they drafted him.

Washington is expected to activate Kelly this week against the Seattle Seahawks, and the offense is in need of help after it struggled in consecutive losses to the Pittsburgh Steelers and Dal-



Rookie wide receiver Malcolm Kelly has not played this season due to injuries.

las Cowboys. As coach Jim Zorn walked off the field after practice, he sounded upbeat about the situation.

"He did pretty good. Real good," Zorn said of Kelly. "The thing that shows up right away, when Malcolm is out there, is that you can throw a vicinity pass, just a pass in the vicinity, and he's going to snag it. He has an easy way of catching the football. He makes something that could be spectacular for somebody else just look fairly easy. It's impressive. We've just got to hope he can continue."

JASON REID (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Sports



FINAL DESTINATIONS: The NCAA selected New Orleans, Atlanta, North Texas, Indianapolis and Houston Wednesday to host the men's basketball Final Fours from 2012 through 2016. Each will be played in the city's football stadium, including the Cowboys' stadium in Arlington, Texas.

Wild Bunch Is Racing for ACC Title

Is wide-open league competitive or full of mediocre squads?

ACC FOOTBALL | What's up with the Atlantic Coast Conference?

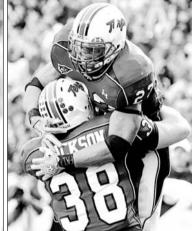
Maybe the players and coaches were caught up in the presidential election. Perhaps they're all trying to lose enough games to get in on the federal bailout, figuring that would be more profitable than the BCS. Or this might be a ploy to keep everyone interested now that it's basketball season.

Whatever the case, it must be asked: Does anyone want to win this conference?

With just two weekends left in the season, nine teams — count 'em, nine! — are still in contention for two spots in the ACC championship game on Dec. 6 in Tampa, Fla.

Over nearly three months of football, Clemson, North Carolina State and Duke were the only teams that managed to eliminate themselves from the divisional races.







Miami, Maryland and Boston College are the only teams to control their destinies in the up-and-down ACC this season.

Every team in the ACC has lost at least three games, but no one has more than six defeats. There's still a chance that as many as three teams could wind up tied for first in the Atlantic Division, while the Coastal side faces the very real possibility of a four-team deadlock.

"If I was just a fan, I think it'd be a lot of fun," Wake Forest coach Jim Grobe said. "As a coach, I think

IIP FOR GRARS

Boston College, Maryland and Miami control their own fates: they'll win their respective divisions if they win out. Everyone else needs some help.

- → In the Atlantic Division, Maryland (7-3 overall) leads with a 4-2 ACC mark a half-game ahead of Florida State (7-3, 4-3) and Wake Forest (6-4 4-3) and one game ahead of Boston College (7-3, 3-3).
- → Miami (7-3, 4-2) is setting the pace in the Coastal Division, a half-game clear of Georgia Tech (7-3, 4-3) and one up on North Carolina (7-3, 3-3), Virginia Tech (6-4, 3-3) and Virginia (5-5, 3-3).
- → Georgia Tech hosts Miami on Thursday night. On Saturday, Maryland hosts Florida State, and BC visits Wake Forest. BC hosts UMd. on Nov. 29.

it's miserable."

Boston College, Florida State, Georgia Tech, Maryland, Miami, North Carolina, Virginia, Virginia Tech and Wake Forest are still in the mix, all of them close enough in the conference standings to be covered by a single blanket.

While most everyone in the ACC goes with the party line — this is a highly competitive conference with no weak teams — others look at the standings and see nothing but mediocrity. Maryland is the highestranked team in The Associated Press poll at No. 22. North Carolina is the top entry in the Bowl Championship Series rankings, also 22nd.

Maybe the BCS should quit trying to figure out whether either Utah or Boise State deserves a spot at its 10-team, multimillion-dollar postseason buffet and give one the ACC's spot.

Virginia Tech coach Frank Beamer dismissed that sort of talk. He pointed to a 33-10 record in outof-conference games as a sign of the ACC's strength. "We've held our own against outside competition," he said. "It's just a league that's got a lot of teams that are very close and very competitive." PAUL NEWBERRY (AP)



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The number of tour events the LPGA will offer in 2009, down from 34 this past year. The drop in tournaments is a product of the ailing economy, commissioner Carolyn Bivens said.

Sports

The View From the Stands

Loyola (Md.) coach separates himself from team to avoid ejection

COLLEGE BASKETBALL | It's not often a college basketball coach passes control of his team to an assistant in the middle of a game and then climbs into the stands to watch the action.

Jimmy Patsos did both Tuesday night.

His Loyola (Md.) team lost to Cornell 82-72 in Boston during the NIT Season Tip-off, and the fifthyear coach insists his actions were warranted.

The trouble began when Patsos was slapped with a technical foul midway through the first half. According to Patsos, instead of calling the technical on the bench, referee John Gaffney told those at the scoring table, "That's a Grade A technical foul on Jimmy Patsos."

Patsos said Gaffney then warned him that he would be thrown out of the arena if he said another word.



Loyola (Md.) coach Jimmy Patsos, far right, separated himself from his team after being called for a first-half technical foul in Tuesday's game against Cornell.

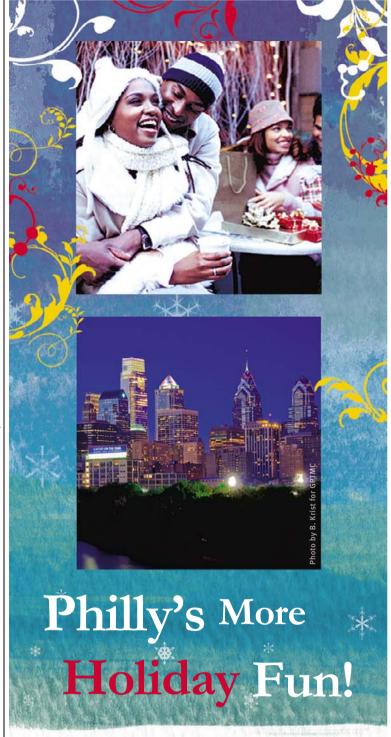
Patsos had no idea how to

"I didn't want to get tossed out. I had my hands up in the surrender position," he said.

Patsos said video of the scene shows Loyola athletic director Joe Boylan in the stands, placing his hands on his head in astonishment. Seconds later, Patsos climbed about two rows into the seats to sit behind Boylan and ask for some advice.

"I didn't want to hurt the school or the program, but at that point I really didn't know what to do," Patsos said. David ginsburg (AP)





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Sports



With a slumping American economy, lower-profile bowls, unlike the BCS, may be cut back. The NCAA has added 11 bowls to the postseason slate since 2002.

Bowl Games May Have Maxed Out

Economic downturn may force second-tier matchups to dwindle

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | After years of relentless expansion, college football's nearly monthlong holiday party — the bowl season — finally seems to have maxed out.

Those involved in the bowl business say that, with the national economy flailing, events which are as much about tourism and corporate sponsorship as football now are staring at a set of challenges that will level off the number of secondtier bowls, if not reduce them.

There are a lot of second-tier bowls to choose from. "We're talking about disposable income, and that's drying up as fast as water in the desert," said Paul Hoolahan, chairman of the Football Bowl Association and CEO of the Sugar Bowl.

The bowl roster now stands at 34, giving 68 teams the opportunity to play a nationally televised game

and be pampered by the host community. That's more than half the 119 schools playing college football at its highest level.

The NCAA has been liberally licensing new bowls in recent years.

The NCAA has been liberally licensing new bowls in recent years. Since 2002, 11 new bowl games have been established. Two games will debut this season: the EagleBank Bowl in Washington D.C., and the St. Petersburg Bowl in central Florida.

"As they are evaluated on an annual basis, I think a stricter criteria would probably be implemented to establish the fiscal viability of the business model," Hoolahan said. RALPH D. RUSSO (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

CAPITALS (10:30 P.M. ON CSN) Washington's road trip moves to Los Angeles for a game against the Kings.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL (7:30 P.M. ON ESPN)
Miami and GeorgiaTech play to stay alive in the hunt for the ACC title.

NBA (8:15 P.M. AND 10:30 P.M. ON TNT) The Pistons visit the Celtics, and the Suns host the Lakers in what could be previews

of two playoff series.

HOKIES HOOPS (II A.M. ON ESPNU) Virginia Tech takes on Fairfield in the Puerto Rico Tip-Off opening round.

MORE MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS (4:30 P.M., 7 P.M. AND 9 P.M. ON ESPN2) Memphis plays Chattanooga in the Puerto RicoTip-Off, followed by the semifinals of the 2k Sports Classic in New York.

Entertainment

Hit the Road, Jack

After a long '24' hiatus, Bauer returns in a made-for-TV movie

TRAVELING MAN | More than a year after we last saw him, Jack Bauer is out of Los Angeles and in Africa in the new "24" TV movie "Redemption," airing Sunday (8 p.m., Fox).

Wanted by the U.S. government, which is eager to prosecute him over his torture prowess, Bauer (Kiefer Sutherland) has teamed up with a former special forces ally — played by Robert Carlyle in nice-guy "Full Monty" mode, not in a "Trainspotting" craze — to help run a school for children. For the record, Carlyle is the first to utter "24's" unofficial catchphrase, "dammit."

In a fictional country — part Rwanda, part Congo — there is an evil general recruiting kids for an army to overthrow the government. Even better, an evil Jon Voight in Washington is funding said coup attempt.

Naturally, where Bauer is, trouble follows. So, the children he's befriended are the latest to be targeted by the general. Torn between fleeing a U.S. subpoena and saving the kids, Bauer obviously takes the redemption route to make sure the title make sense.



Kiefer Sutherland is looking rugged and rustic in the two-hour film "Redemption."

Meanwhile, the always progressive "24" — featuring two black presidents in its six-year run — has a woman president-elect (Cherry Jones) about to be sworn-in in Washington. Should the government intervene to stop this coup in Africa? Voight already has his way to pressure the new president, as will play out in the show's new season.

In general, "Redemption" is your run-of-the-mill "24" episode, with some good action, hilarious political commentary about the U.N. and Sutherland slipping back into his best role.

Coming off its worst season, with the writer's strike delaying its return for a year and a half, "24" has its own redeeming to do. This is a good start, as is the trailer at the end of the movie for the new season starting in January.

Without spoiling anything, Bauer will be in D.C. — hooray! — Voight will continue to be evil, and a major character returns from the dead. Where else do you get such great lines as, "I'll kill you and you will stay dead this time"?

Keeping Up With The Jones

BOOK | "You know the real reason you do a book like this? It's so you can actually remember all the things that have happened to you in 75 years of life." Quincy Jones let out a loud laugh at that one. The man who has 27 Grammys on his shelves has been playing a duet with music history for five decades, and most of the high notes are recounted in



Iconic music impresario Quincy Jones has put his journey down on paper.

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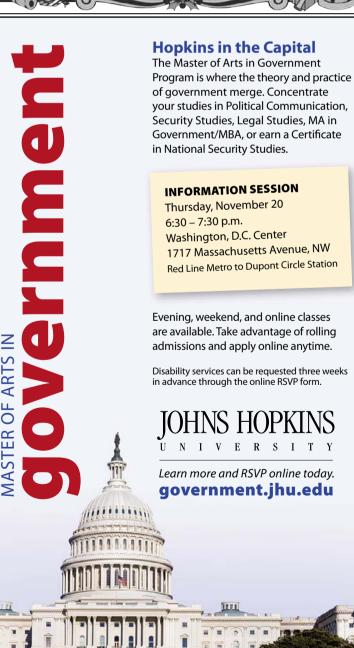
The lavish hardcover is a collection of interviews, letters, mementos and more than 400 photographs. "That picture there of me and Frank Sinatra, that was the day we met," he said. "He had called me up and

asked if I would come down and work with him and the Count Basie Orchestra. Do you know what it's like to get a phone call like that? It's like God calling."

Bono wrote the preface. "That one, he's my partner in crime. I've known him 25 years now, and he's just a beautiful person."

The most famous friendship of his life was with Ray Charles. "We were kids up in the Pacific Northwest ... and I mean there were no black people up there — it's like they didn't exist. Ray and I decided early on that we would never let our self-worth be affected by anything external. That was for survival, really."







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Mr. and Miss J are over models and onto America's real women

FASHIONISTOS | In the pursuit of perfection, "America's Next Top Model" coaches Jay Manuel and J. Alexander have cut many girls down to size. "I'm seeing a carcass on a fence," Manuel, the show's creative director, once told a contestant while she posed during a photo shoot. Runway trainer Alexander doesn't sugarcoat his words either: "Your walk is as useless as a flashlight with no batteries in it in the dark."

The girls competing to win a modeling contract don't mind the critiques, however catty they may be. In truth, Tyra Banks' sassy sidekicks, affectionately known to fans as Mr. and Miss J, are the unlikely heroes of "Top Model," keeping viewers laughing, models in line and ratings high for 11 editions and counting. (The reality show, whose season finale aired Wednesday, trails only "Smallville" as the CW's most-watched program.)

The two were taking a break from filming "Operation Fabulous," which, if it is picked up by the CW,

will follow them as they ride into small towns across the country to advise everyday girls on how to work it in the real world. As the sun set on Descanso Gardens in Glendale. Manuel and Alexander were eagerly awaiting to see what the female participants had selected for their final looks — a test to determine what they'd learned from the infamous Mr. and Miss J.

The feel-good nature of the project is a slight change of pace from the snark of "Top Model," but CW President of Entertainment Dawn Ostroff says behind the shtick are two guys who are always rooting for women. "Jay is your parent in tough love. He tells you the way it is, but only because he wants you to be the best you can be," she said. "As much as Miss J criticizes and rolls his eyes, deep down, he's just looking for the girl who can get it done."

Both men began separate careers in fashion long before being recruited by Banks for "Top Model" -Manuel as a make-up artist and Alexander as a model-turned-runway walk instructor. On "Operation Fabulous," the pair would do for the plain Jane what "Queer Eye" did for the straight guy.

"On 'Top Model,' they're competing for a demanding job, so we have to crack the whip," Manuel said. "But we like working with real women, too. We want them to feel good. We aren't giving them 'makeovers' on 'Operation Fabulous.' I actually hate the word 'makeover.' We're teaching them to enhance and maintain what they've already got." DENISE MARTIN (LOS ANGELES TIMES)



STARS ALIGN: In a potential high-profile star-writer reunion, "I Am Legend" co-scribe Mark Protosevich is in early talks to pen the remake of the 2003 Korean film "Old Boy," which "Legend" star Will Smith, pictured, is developing with director Steven Spielberg.

Entertainment

The Secret of Success

Malcolm Gladwell says talent means nothing without community

BOOK | Malcolm Gladwell, author of "The Tipping Point" and "Blink," understands the importance of timing. His new book, "Outliers," is about how culture and community are greater determinants of individual success than talent or even will. It hits the stands two weeks after a man who embodies the term was elected president.

The publication of "Outliers"

coincides with the dawn of what many hope will be an era that celebrates the power of community over that of the individual. "This is not a book about tall trees," Gladwell notes. "It's a book about forests."

We are used to looking at success, Gladwell explains in the opening chapter, as an individual story. But, in fact, successful people "are invariably the beneficiaries of hidden advantages and extraordinary opportunities and cultural legacies that allow them to learn and work hard and make sense of the world in ways others cannot. ... It's not

enough to ask what successful people are like, in other words. It is only by asking where they are from that we can unravel the logic behind who succeeds and who doesn't."

Gladwell chooses from an array of examples: Italian immigrants, hockey players, computer programmers. How is it that a group of early 20th-century immigrants from a particular village in Italy avoided the high rates of heart disease that plague Americans older than 65? Not genes, not diet, but a "powerful, protective social structure capable of insulating them from the pres-

sures of the modern world."

"It is those who are successful," Gladwell writes, "who are most likely to be given the kinds of special opportunities that lead to further success. Success is the result of what sociologists like to call 'accumulative advantage."

Much of this sounds eerily familiar — echoes of natural selection — especially when Gladwell theorizes about why Asians are so good at math. Their agricultural heritage created a culture of belief in hard work. Rice growing was not a feudal economy, as was so much of Western agriculture. Rice growers determined their own destiny. As a result, he writes, Asians work harder and rest less. Attitude matters. Susan salter reynolds (LOS ANGELES TIMES)



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MORE B-LIST CELEB REALITY: The CW's former reality show "Beauty and the Geek" is in negotiations to move to MTV. The network wants a celebrity version of the show, in which average geeks compete for semi-famous vixens.

Too Much Drama in Our Lives

Complex series like 'Life on Mars' have a tough time fitting in

CONVOLUTED | Sam discovers more about his past when he finds himself on his father's trail on "Life on Mars" (10 p.m., ABC). "Mars" stars Jason O'Mara as Sam, a police detective who suffers a severe trauma only to awaken in 1973 working in a precinct house dominated by a cranky chief (Harvey Keitel) with a decidedly antique take on police procedure, not to mention retro attitudes toward women and minorities.

In each episode, "Mars" works through a self-contained crime story and presents new clues as to Sam's strange and mystical predicament.



Jason O'Mara stars as Sam, a police detective with a twisted backstory.

In a year hardly known for breakout hits, "Mars" has had to compete with the departing "ER" and the popular new CBS detective series "Eleventh Hour."

This season has been hard on dramas with elaborate setups. The demise of NBC's "My Own Worst Enemy" is a clear sign that convoluted mysteries have lost their allure. The rise of "NCIS," the success of "The Mentalist" and the enduring dominance of the "CSI" franchise demonstrate viewers' desire for an hour-long viewing experience with a beginning, middle and end.

Straddling the line between complex drama and straightforward detective story, "Mars" may or may not survive this trend. We may never know whether Sam cheats on his 2008 girlfriend (Lisa Bonet) with a fetching fellow officer (Gretchen Mol) from the Nixon era. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

ON TV TONIGHT

FIGHT TO THE TOP

Betty competes with Marc for a spot in a training course that could provide an elevation in salary and status on **UGLY BETTY** (8 p.m., ABC).

MAGIC HAPPENS

As tornadoes strike Camden, Randy assumes superpowers on MY NAME IS EARL (8 p.m., NBC).

TOMATO SAUCE CRIMINAL

Accusations fly when nobody takes responsibility for a microwave mess on **THE OFFICE** (9 p.m., NBC).

BUT OF COURSE IT DOES

A routine surgery takes a dark turn on **GREY'S ANATOMY** (9 p.m., ABC).

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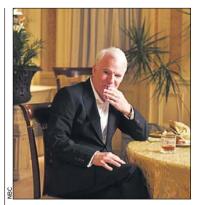
Jack's old friend (Steve Martin) admires Liz on **30 ROCK** (9:30 p.m., NBC).

CREEPY DOES IT

Gates' obsession with a missing veteran irks Sam on **ER** (10 p.m., NBC).

'AUSTRALIA' STAR

Jay Leno hosts Hugh Jackman, Jack



Steve Martin gets all creepy-older-man with Tiny Fey on tonight's "30 Rock."

Black and Kyle Gass on **THE TONIGHT SHOW** (11:35 p.m., NBC).

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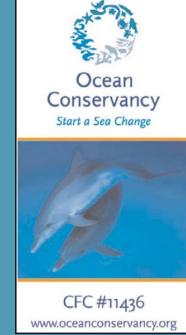




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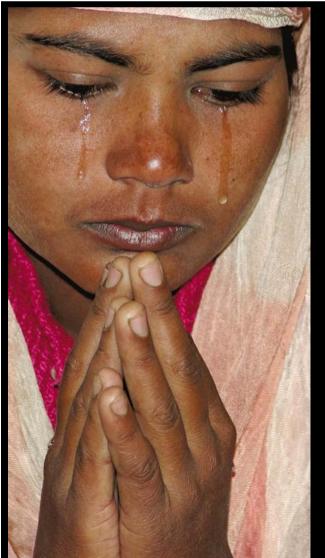
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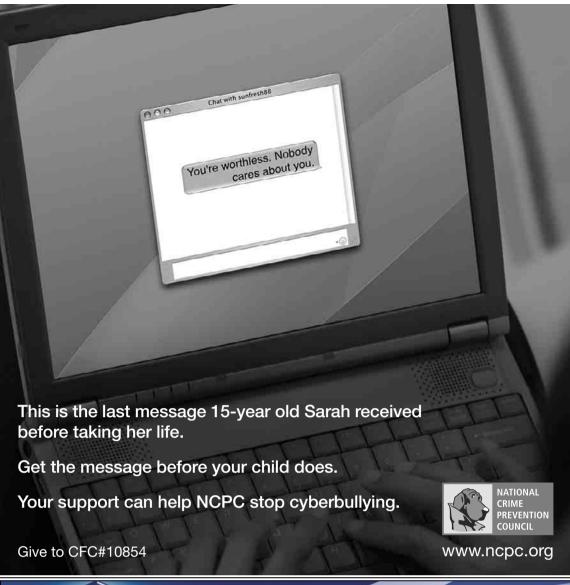
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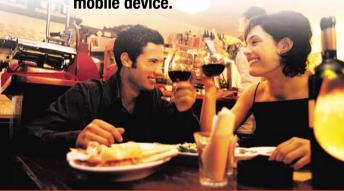
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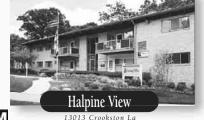
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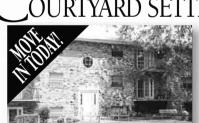
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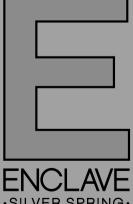






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Forecasts

Michelle Obama's wardrobe may usher in a new era of style

When Laura Bush and Hillary Clinton arrived at the White House, they brought with them styles that suited their hometowns in Texas and Arkansas but that wouldn't have held up in any fashion capital.

Tastemakers have higher hopes for Michelle Obama, who is expected to fill her closet at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue with sophisticated styles that match her modern image but maintain the sensibility inherent to Chicago.



first ladies appeared to believe that displaying an interest in style undermines their role."

MANDI NORWOOD, STYLE EXPERT

The image of Obama walking the inaugural parade route in something like the domed, widebrimmed hat that has haunted Clinton since 1993 seems unlikely. And she probably won't show up to the inaugural ball in mother-of-thebride-style gowns with dyed-tomatch pumps like Bush has worn — twice.

Over time, both Clinton and Bush did grow more accustomed to their new surroundings, and their wardrobes reflected that.

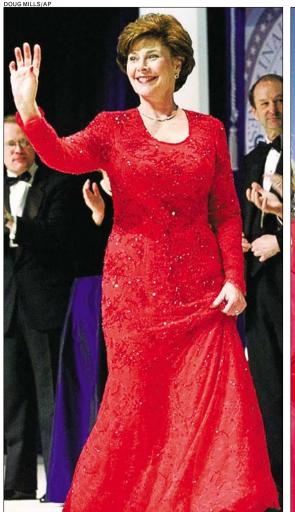
For example, Bush wore a peacock blue coat with sensible shoes to the chilly inaugural ceremony in 2001 but chose a chic winter-white coat ensemble with camel-colored high heels — a top pick of fashion insiders — in 2005.

Clinton also chose a modern, luxe gold lace gown by Oscar de la Renta for her second tour of inaugural balls, unlike the fussy purple princess number the first goaround. (Remember the sparkly belt buckle?)

Still, Bush and Clinton fit into the expectations of what earlier generations thought a president's wife should look like. Obama has the opportunity to break the mold.

"Most previous first ladies have appeared to believe that displaying an interest in fashion and style undermines the importance of their role. They've subscribed to the old-fashioned view that a woman should de-sexualize herself or dress like a man if she wants to be regarded as intelligent and of good conscience," says Mandi Norwood, the former editor in chief of Shop Etc. who is now writing a style guide directed toward Obama for publisher Avon A.

"Mrs. Obama, however, has a much more modern view," Norwood says. "She's demonstrated





LADIES IN RED: Style insiders predict Michelle Obama, right, will be a more fashion-forward first lady than Laura Bush, left.

First in Fashion

that it's smart to be stylish; that strong and positive statements can be made through the right choice of outfit."

The right outfit can't be too cutting-edge, though, says Andrea Reynders, chair of the fashion department at the Art Institute of Chicago. This is where Obama's roots will come in handy.

"Trends seem to happen on both coasts, but in the Midwest we look for the value in clothing. Chicago is a wonderful place where you can find women buying garments with wonderful fabrics, detailing and fit. It lends itself wonderfully to a strong classic fashion with a lot of independence — and not being too

trendy will serve Michelle well in Washington," Reynders says.

While Clinton also grew up in the Chicago suburbs, her pre-White House adult life was largely spent in Little Rock and her eye adjusted to the local lo.ok, says communications consultant Ruth Sherman, who advises business leaders, celebrities and politicians.

So far, Obama has chosen designers that alternately appeal to style insiders and everywomen. They range from retail giant J. Crew to fashion favorite Narciso Rodriguez to Chicago's own Maria Pinto.

Pinto, who was a student of Reynders', epitomizes what Chi-

cago style is — and what Obama needs to do, the professor says: Take a good silhouette, embellish it enough to get noticed, but don't go over the top.

By making some off-the-radar choices, Obama already greatly reduces her risk of making the same faux pas as Bush did at a 2006 Kennedy Center Honors event when she wore the same red Oscar de la Renta gown as three other women.

Once she arrives in Washington, Obama should stay true to herself, says Sherman, author of "Get Them To See It Your Way, Right Away."

But Sherman also wonders what will happen to Obama's sometimessportier look, one that likely reso-

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nates with the younger people who so strongly support her and her husband.

"If the Obamas are being considered the next generations of leaders, will the Obamas reflect that this generation is so much more casual? What does it mean when you see Michelle Obama in jeans?" Sherman asks.

"Are people's tongues going to be wagging, or is it part of her job to appeal to that generation?" SAMANTHA CRITCHELL (AP)

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WILL D.C. BE ABLE TO HANDLE THE RECORD CROWDS EXPECTED FOR THE INAUGURATION?

NO 57%

YES 43%



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proven it can handle pretty much anything short of an accurate attendance count."

COMMENTER DEN HOLLIDEN, RESPONDING TO WEDNESDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, "WILL D.C. BE ABLE TO HANDLE THE RECORD CROWDS EXPECTED FOR THE INAUGURATION?



question like this, there needs to be an option for 'LOL.' Metro can't work right on a regular business day and traffic is a mess to begin with."

COMMENTER AU POLI SCI GUY, WHO ADDED, "CAN YOU IMAGINE OUR DEALING WITH SEV-ERAL MILLION PEOPLE? DISASTER!"



will not be closed that day, so I am already trying to figure out how to survive the morning commute to work."

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"It's high time this sham business was brought under control. I'm a bit astonished, though, as this is actual proactive planning, something D.C. doesn't usually do."

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ATIMETODANCE.WORDPRESS.COM ADDING "COULD THIS BE THE HIGHEST-RANKING WHITE HOUSE OFFICIAL WITH A SERIOUS DANCE BACKGROUND?

Discussions

Capital Weather

MATT ROSS of the Capital Weather Gang was online Wednesday and talked about the team's just-released winter outlook report.

Last winter we got a very cold snap in December, and that turned out to be the worst of our winter. Is it possible that this cold air through the end of November will break with a warm-up and the rest of the winter will be comparatively mild? I don't think that is likely. The pattern is already a lot more interesting than last winter, and I think while we will see the pattern relax at times early this winter, there will be ample opportunity for it to reload. December averages almost five degrees warmer than January, so even though we are calling for a warm-up relative to normal, a +1 or +2 January is still pretty cold and cold enough for snow chances if we can get the timing right.

So, is this the year? Finally? I'm a transplanted New Englander who has been here since '97 and can count on one hand the "big" storms we've had since. Any hope? Help! I bought new boots and everything.

We snow lovers are always hoping for the big one. You may recall that although it melted quickly, we did get a pretty big one (8 to 14 inches) in February 2006, so I don't know that we are "due," but I think we have a good chance for at least one 6-inch-plus storm, something that eluded us [recently].

Do you see significant snowfall potential for mid- to late December? Yes. I would be surprised if we don't see at least one 3- to 6-inch storm in December, and if the timing is right, maybe bigger. Although we didn't break down snowfall by month, I think the bulk of our snow will fall in December and January.

How many days in advance do you think we can reliably forecast an individual snowstorm? I recall a number of times there was very little notice in advance of a big one. With models getting better and better, you can get the general idea of a pattern that "may" be favorable for D.C. snow one to two weeks out or more. But accuracy doesn't really get good

TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS: Marc Fisher looks at your sugges-

fluctuations and surprises.

until we are inside of 72 hours or so,

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The sweater was her idea. The pipe & ascot were mine. 11.90.08

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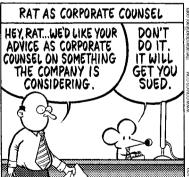


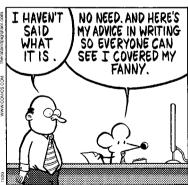


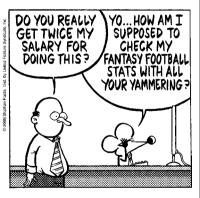




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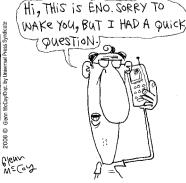






The Duplex | Glenn McCoy







Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Your fears are likely to subside as you get closer and closer to a major goal. Reach out and touch someone, and you'll be rewarded.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) A voice from your past may be haunting you throughout much of the day, but you'll be inspired to make a lasting decision that is long overdue.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Fatigue is sure to take its toll if you are unwilling to take time out from your schedule to address your own more personal needs.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) There is nothing you need to be afraid of, but you may want to be cautious when approaching a landmark that symbolizes your past.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You may receive an offer that is difficult to turn down. Don't act prematurely; consider all the angles.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You needn't go

out of your way to get everything you feel vou deserve at this time. Routine endeavors yield maximum possible rewards.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You should be able to fight off a major challenge withoutembracing violence at all. Trust in the power of words to see you through.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Now is not the time to let knee-jerk responses dictate your actions. Do your best to remain rational and circumspective

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The relief you have sought for a personal hardship may not last long if you are unwilling to embrace a more permanent solution.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may attract a great deal of attention without even setting foot outside your door. Anticipation of something on its way is truly remarkable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may be easily frustrated, but don't let your own expectations stand in the way of your own accomplishments. Forge ahead.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You'll have a chance to renew your image — just in time to take advantage of an opportunity that you would otherwise have to turn down.

Letters

Why Listen to Metro Drivers?

ILEARNED A LESSON on my Tuesday night commute: Never listen to the Metro driver. My husband and I were trying to pick up our kids from day care by closing time. The driver repeatedly failed to close the doors. Finally, he said the train was out of service and everyone should get off. About half did. Then the doors closed, and the train (still in service) went to the next stop. My husband and I finally wedged ourselves into a crowded later train. Now I'll ignore the operator just like everyone else. What do I gain by listening?

> -KATE MAISEL Chantilly, Va.

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1945 Twenty-two indicted Nazi officials went on trial (one in absentia) before an international war crimes tribunal in Nuremberg, Germany.

1947 Britain's future queen, Princess Elizabeth, marries Philip Mountbatten, Duke of Edinburgh, at Westminster Abbey.

The Census Clock at the 1967 Commerce Department ticks past 200,000,000.

2003 Michael Jackson is booked on suspicion of child molestation in Santa Barbara, Calif. (Jackson was later acquitted at trial.)



Warren Jeffs, left, was sentenced in '07.

A judge in St. George, 2007 A Judye In St. Sco. gc, Utah, sentences polygamous-sect leader Warren Jeffs to five vears to life in prison for his role in the arranged marriage of an underage girl to her older cousin.



People



Jackman outshines sun and Brad Pitt.

ACCOLADE

'Ocean's Thirteen' Cast **Lobbies Hard for Recount**

HUGH JACKMAN says his wife, Deborra-Lee Furness, teased him after finding out he'd been named People magazine's "Sexiest Man Alive." Jackman says: "She said, 'Obviously, Brad [Pitt] wasn't available this year." (AP)

FOOD

Epicure Reclassifies Tomato As Vegetable 'Just Because'



After a decade of practicing veganism, "Clueless" star ALICIA SILVER-**STONE** is penning "The Kind Diet," a how-to and cook-

book dedicated to eating well without consuming animal products of any kind. (EXPRESS)



ILLNESS

Travel, Interrupted

WINONA RYDER was briefly hospitalized after falling ill on a flight to London's Heathrow Airport on Wednesday, her publicist said. The 37-year-old actress was taken to a west London hospital "as a precaution" and has been released. British Airways said a flight from Los Angeles to Heathrow requested priority landing after a female passenger "required medical attention." (AP)

CASTING

Rap Mogul **Goes From 24/7 Playa** To Part-time TV Plaver

SEAN "DIDDY

COMBS is becoming a prosecutor — at least on television. CBS says the rapper has agreed to a two-episode appearance on "CSI: Miami." The network says Combs will portray a prosecutor who doesn't get along "I declare the case of Vote v. Death a mistrial"

with police Lt. Horatio Caine, played by David Caruso. CBS said Tuesday that Combs' episodes will probably

air in mid- to late winter. Another rap artist, Nelly, has had a recurring role this season on "CSI: New York." (AP)

ENGAGED

Cougar to Wed Starter Cub

Kelly Osbourne, 24, will marry her boyfriend, Luke Worrell, 19, in the U.K. early next year. The pair recently announced their engagement via the social networking site Facebook. And model Worrell has confirmed he will marry the reality TV star in



England within months. He says, "We're planning to tie the knot in the next few months — it won't be a long engage-

ment. The wedding will be in the U.K." (EXPRESS)

TOP TOT

'Take That, Shiloh, Zahara, Pax, Cruz, David and Sean P.'

SURI CRUISE, the 2-year-old daughter of Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes, tops the list of "Hollywood's 10 Hottest Tots." Forbes.com, which ranked celebrity children 5 years old and younger based on media attention and their parents' popularity, said Suri popped up in the most news articles. (AP)



Humbled, Suri said, "Gahh-dahh."

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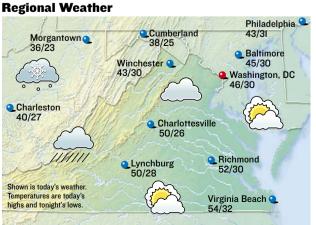


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[on the]Spot

NAME: Alan Cox
GIG: Actor in "Frost/Nixon"

IT'S NOT SURPRISING that the Britishborn, American-dwelling Cox moves easily between screen ("Ladies in Lavender," "John Adams") and stage ("Translations," "Passion Play"): He's the scion of ubiquitous, versatile Scottish character actor Brian Cox. Known for his versatility, the younger Cox is currently summoning up celeb journo David Frost circa 1977. That's when the playboy/ talking head famously conducted a series of intense interviews with disgraced former president Richard Nixon, in the process extracting the closest thing to a confession anyone ever got out of Tricky Dick.

Why reconsider the Nixon era now? How have Americans changed since then?

I've heard it said that it was a moment when people become more

cynical. With the Nixon presidency, people got a wake-up call to hold their presidents responsible and to keep them in check. So, yes, I think that the ethics of the presidency are very much at the forefront of people's minds these days.

What's it like as a Brit, immersing yourself in this American story?

Well, I remember when I saw it on Broadway, I was sort of like getting a compressed history lesson about the Nixon administration. Now that I'm in the show, I know much more, but to be honest, I'm still a bit confused.

How'd you prepare for the role?

I put the audio of the interviews on my iPod and watched a bunch of Frost's old performances on You-Tube. What's funny is that even watching him now — he works for Al Jazeera — he's still got that same desire to make conversation



David Frost (Cox, seated left) and Richard Nixon (Stacey Keach) dwarfed by history.

approachable. His skill is to open people up.

The power — and limits — of the media loom large in this play. Why was Frost able to get to Nixon when others couldn't?

It's funny. I think Nixon was in the government just as the media and television became much more a fact in everyone's lives. I think he tried to work with them. So it's almost ironic that someone trying to cooperate

with the mass media was brought down by a newspaper!

Then, in the interviews, Frost realized the importance of the closeup. In the moment when Nixon breaks, [Frost's] great scoop is for the cameras to pan to Nixon's face as he puts questions in his mouth.

Frost was known as both an entertainer and a journalist. Do we have a current-day equivalent?

Well, Frost started out as a kind of

"I think the ethics of the presidency are ... at the forefront of people's minds."

a Jon Stewart or Stephen Colbert — a satirist out to outline the humbuggery of the day. This was a time when people respected the powers that be. He was famously anti-establishment like them.

So do you think we'll see a Couric-Palin sequel sometime soon?

Well, you could argue that those interviews did more damage to Palin than anything else. Maybe?

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Old-school hip-hop lends a helping hand to the Smithsonian

MUSIC | Thanks to Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, delving into the skeletons in America's closet just got a little more hip.

On a mission to build a permanent collection that will document hip-hop's cultural contributions, the museum kicked off a major initiative back in 2006 with the exhibit "Hip-Hop Won't Stop: The Beat, the Rhymes, the Life."

Two years later, the museum's mission to seek funding for the collection — which will contain artifacts from the early days of the movement as well as firsthand histories — is still underway. And the





COMING TOGETHER: The Smithsonian's hip-hop collection will be rich and varied.

Smithsonian is garnering support from companies like Classic Hip-Hop L.L.C., which is dedicated to the "preservation and promo-

tion of the positive aspects of the culture."

As a joint venture with Haywood Donerson of the Donerson Research

Group, the company formed the Classic Hip-Hop Concert Series. With shows in nine cities. the series aims to raise capital to assist in the research and collection of objects, according to Donerson, "because it's one of the only true American artforms created [in America]," the realization of NMAH's permanent hip-hop collection is not simply a want but a necessity.

So those who recognize that baggie pants is not hip-hop's only social offering, help preserve the culture. Pop and lock on down to hear the verbal slicings of original hip-hop heads like Slick Rick, Whodini and Kool Mo Dee. DARONA WILLIAMS (EXPRESS)

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History Marches On

Light, glass and new exhibits sparkle in the new National Museum of American History

MUSEUM | The National Museum of American History temporarily shut its doors in 2006 to prepare for a two-year, \$85 million renovation. On Friday, the museum will officially reopen to show off its brand-new look, complete with a five-story-high skylight and an atrium of glass and white marble. It's now the Beaux Arts building with a modernist center.

The transformation of the museum's core has turned the once-dark institution — an encyclopedia site for 3 million cultural artifacts such as Julia Child's kitchen and the John Bull locomotive — into a study of light and glass.

"When the building was first designed in the late 1950s and open to the public in 1964, sunlight was a very bad thing for museums with objects. Now we know more than we did, and we know that light in public places is really important," said Patrick Ladden, program manager for the NMAH Restoration. "The architects Skidmore, Owings & Merrill have taken a 1950s classic and updated it for the 21st century. The materials are similar to the original building, but they're introducing more glass and creating a dynamic public center."

So the firm opened up the first floor to be one long space, and added a glass-and-steel grand staircase to the second floor, which allows sun from the skylight to trickle down.

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On the second level, the museum displays the renovation's crown jewel — the new atrium, accessible from the Constitution Avenue side — that boasts a 40-by-19-foot abstract American flag made of 960 reflective polycarbonate tiles on the wall. Behind the sculpture is the collection's prize possession, the Star-Spangled Banner. Housed in a new climate-controlled cham-



KICKING UP DUST: Workers ready a space in the Museum of American History.



UNDER WRAPS: From installations to wall displays, exhibitions were still under plastic sheeting when our intrepid reporter was given a walkthrough in the changing space.

ber, the banner is now in a glass case surrounded by historical displays, interactive monitors and benches for reflective rests. The room is dimly lit, mimicking the "dawn's early light" of our national anthem's first stanza.

Constructing the atrium meant gutting the center of the building, and keeping in mind certain green initiatives. The old marble slats from the walls were harvested and recut to use in the new space, and overhead lights were replaced with custom-fit Barrrisol fluorescent fixtures. The cafés now stock their dining rooms with real plates and utensils instead of disposable products, and the mechanical systems were updated to be more energy efficient and to provide the infrastructure and power for interactive exhibitions.

For the museum, it's all about engaging visitors with the collection. "The presentation of American history is always about trying to contextualize what three-dimensional objects are all about and what they mean to Americans," said Ladden.

Another major change to the museum is the addition of 275 feet of glass displays along the walls on the first and second floors. With rotating highlights — everything from vacuum cleaners to antique guitars to wedding-cake toppers — the new cases will offer visitors



Although many of the exhibitions in the wings are staying as is, some displays are debuting along with the renovated space. These include the Lemelson Center for the Study of Invention and Innovation's interactive Spark!Lab (complete with scientific experiments), and "Robots on the Road," presenting modern advancements in, well, robots, and a fixed-up Volkswagen Touareg that was used in a race backed by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

A full schedule of festivities is planned to mark the occasion, including a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday with a program by the Children's Chorus of Washington and an aerial demonstration by the U.S. Army's Golden Knights Parachute Team. Family-friendly activities throughout the weekend will include jazz and folk music performances, photo ops with historical characters and giveaways. And through January, the museum is displaying the Gettysburg Address, on loan from its current home in the White House's Lincoln Bedroom.

But the museum isn't showing all its cards for the opening. Over the next year, NMAH will open more exhibitions, such as "First Ladies at the Smithsonian" slated for December, with dresses, china and knickknacks galore. Then in January, the museum is joining the Smithsonian Institution in celebrating the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth, and will show some 60 objects from the president's life, including the top hat he wore on the fateful night at Ford's Theatre. Danielle o'steen

→ National Museum of American History, 14th Street & Constitution Avenue; Fri., 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; 202-633-1000. (Smithsonian)

Rolling With the Punches

B-More indie-rockers the Oranges Band aren't easily crushed

MUSIC | A lot of artists can tell horrific stories about their record companies. But the Oranges Band has one of the worst.

In 2005, the Baltimore indierockers were signed to Lookout Records, Green Day's first label. Then Green Day got into a dispute with Lookout and took its lucrative back catalog away from the label. Money got tight and employees were laid off. All this happened when the Oranges Band's "The World & Everything In It" was about to drop. The band's momentum was broken.

"It really hurt the record a lot," recalls bandleader Roman Kuebler, a one-time member of Spoon, with whom the Oranges have been compared.

Kuebler and drummer Dave Voyles trudged on undaunted. Recruiting bassist Patrick Martin,

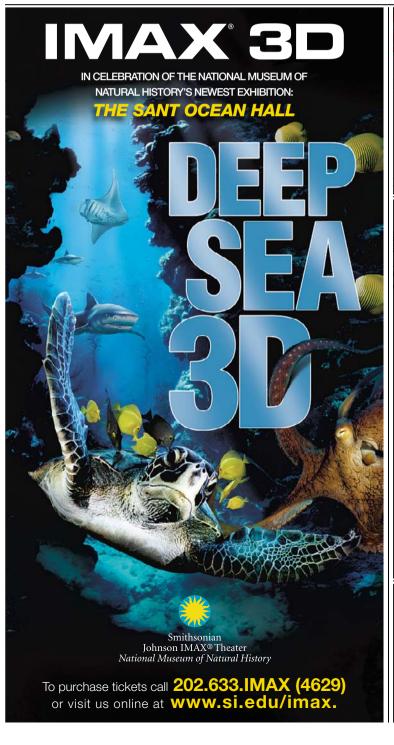


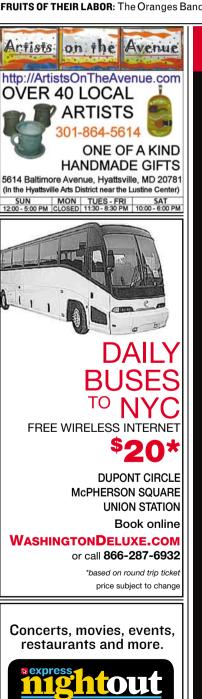
FRUITS OF THEIR LABOR: The Oranges Band shuns major labels, for good reason.

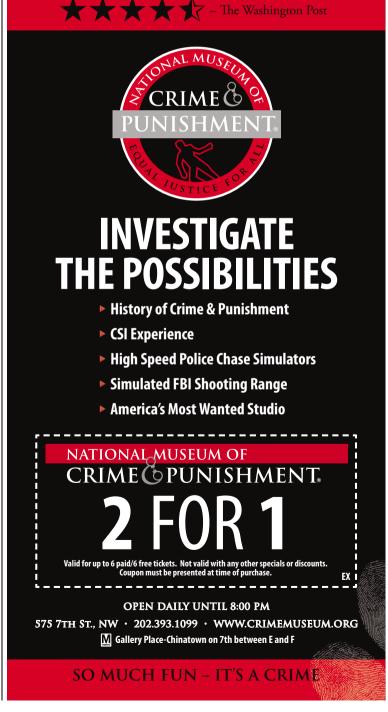
they recorded the slyly titled"The Oranges Band Are Invisible." The CD has already gotten local print and radio buzz, even though it won't be officially released until February.

The band will sell the new CD regionally at pre-release shows, including one at the Red & the Black on Saturday. Says Kuebler, "Instead of doing the typical thing where you pick a release date and send it around to everyone in the world except the people who really want to hear it, I decided to make it available to people who want to hear it." TONY SCLAFANI

→ The Red & The Black, 1212 H St. NE; with Deleted Scenes, Sat., 9 p.m., \$8; 202-399-3201.







Boys to Funnymen

Louis C.K. discovers a man can only make so many sex jokes

COMEDY | At 41, Louis C.K. has seen his body change, his thoughts shift and his comedy evolve. Where he once riffed on sex — and mostly sex - he now focuses on growing old and raising his two kids.

"Well, raising kids is a highstakes job ... and it's a very all-consuming, full-time job that's going to be your primary function until you die," C.K. said. "I think when I was younger, the only thing I thought about was sex, like everybody else in the world, so I talked about that a lot. ... Now, my kids are at the front of my brain.

And the Washington native will hit on those themes — with a self-deprecating and vulgar touch — when he returns to the Warner Theatre Friday night.

"I talk about my family and I talk about just being alive and living in America and stuff," he said.



ADULT JOKES: Fatherhood and the aging process have ripened but not mellowed Louis C.K.'s often vulgar comic riffs.

Those who saw his Showtime special, "Louis C.K.: Chewed Up," when it premiered last month

should expect a new dose of C.K. on Friday — he retires routines after recording a special.

"I'm always prepping for a special; my goal is to do one every year," C.K. said. "So, every show that I do is kind of like perfecting the hour that I'm working on that particular year."

And if you're looking for the former "Late Night With Conan O'Brien" and "Saturday Night Live" writer's return to television — his HBO series "Lucky Louie" was canceled after one season - C.K. is shopping a pilot with "Lucky Louie" co-star Pamela Adlon.

Where Louis C.K. once riffed on sex. he now focuses on growing old and raising his two kids.

"It's about a couple that's married that has a couple of kids," he said. "It will probably be on network television and not cable, so we won't be able to say '[something you can't say]." RUDI GREENBERG

→ Warner Theatre, 13th & E streets NW; Fri., 8 p.m., \$30 to \$35; 202-397-7328, warner the atre.com. (MetroCenter)

Throwing Out the Past

Protean A.A. Bondy wears his American heart on his sleeve

MUSIC | Auguste Arthur Bondy is known by many names. As frontman for Birmingham-based Verbena during the late '90s, he went by Scott Bondy. Last year, when he released his solo debut, the haunted "American Hearts," he billed himself as A. A. Bondy. Lately, he's been known to answer to Gus.

These constantly shifting identities draw from the darker corners of musical history but remain anchored in the dark present. Currently, Bondy illuminates his apocalyptic imagery and lowdown woe with old folk, blues and country. "Everybody wants to do something new," says Bondy, "but to throw out the past, you have to know the past."



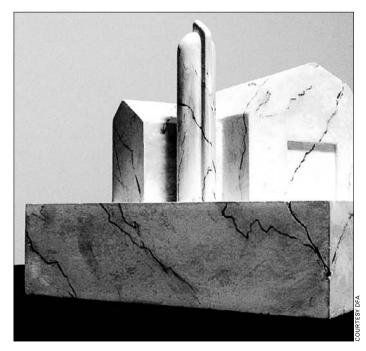
A.A. Bondy taps his into Southern roots with the CD "American Hearts."

The transplanted Southerner recorded "American Hearts" in his barn in rural New York state, where he lives with his wife, Clare Felice. Backing him on the album are his brothers-in-law, the Felice Brothers: "I had an idea that this record was going to come out, but not anything more than someone pressing them up and maybe getting them into a local record store in Alabama," says Bondy. "I never had any grand hopes for it, which freed me up to do whatever I wanted."

Bondy has toured almost constantly behind "American Hearts," but continues to let the songs guide him. "If people are going to build a house, they need to know what it's going to look like," he explains, "but songs don't necessarily need to know what they're going to sound like in the end, so you're allowed to throw your subconscious into them." STE-PHEN M DELISNER

→ Iota, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; with Bombadil; Sat., 9:30 p.m., \$12; 703-522-8340. (Clarendon)

GALLERY | BUILT SOLID



FROM THE GROUND UP: Cliff Burtt resettled in Washington, D.C., from his native Australia — the perfect city in which to observe and consider nation-building, monumentalism, the idea of the state and the symbology of architecture. The artist tackles these subjects in his mixed-media sculptures in "The State of Things," currently on display at District Fine Arts.



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MUSIC | Legend has it, John Chapman (or Johnny Appleseed) traveled these United States planting saplings to ensure his country's fecundity. More than two centuries later, his descendent Jesse Elliott Chapman travels the country to purvey an evergreen strain of tall tale. He and his band, These United States, are writing some of the knottiest, most frustrating tunes today, each one chock-a-block with historical figures and allegorical maxims.

Talk about big shoes to fill.

"That's actually a funny story," said Elliott. "I was hanging out with my grandmother, who lives in the vicinity where John Chapman, the real dude, planted orchards. Grandma and I were watching a movie with, of all people, Martin Short as Johnny Appleseed. Grandma goes, "You know, you're related to him." Sure enough, he's buried in Fort



SPREADING THE WORD: These United States songwriter Jesse Elliott Chapman scatters his music throughout the world.

Wayne, Indiana, which is close to where I grew up."

Parallels to folklore and Americana have both buoyed and plagued the band. "It sounds weird, but we've

never been interested in introspection and personal stuff," said Elliott. "My background is in storytelling and the third person. I've heard from a few places that we're accused

of sneaking in as many allusions to things as we can, and that's just not true. Characters are interesting. From a writing perspective, I like T.S. Eliot and Hunter S. Thomson,

and, musically, I like similar idiosyncratic characters in our songs."

Fans of These United States have been known to flock around the stage like settlers around a campfire, dazily coaxed by the fiery crackle before them.

"Our sound is altogether spontaneous, mostly by virtue of never practicing. Two-fifths of the band is in Kentucky. Our practice is onstage at shows, which, paradoxically, are more structured and thought-out than just a bunch of guys going out there to jam," said Elliott.

Not that the burden of entertaining rests on the shoulders of this ever-evolving (and often band member-shifting) pack of roustabouts. "People can't help but shake their heads or get up and dance. There are multiple focal points in our music, and we've done our job right either way, as long as it's an overwhelming experience."

These United States hit the Black Cat in Washington on Saturday, with the steampunk mystics the Cassette, alongside. They plan to uphold the esteemed mantle of the marauders of craggy folk pop. CHRISTOPHER CORREA

→ Black Cat. 1811 14th St. NW: with the Cassettes, Sat., 9 p.m., \$10; 202-667-4490. (USt.-Cardozo)

Taking Out the Thrash

Municipal Waste's goofball punk is serious business

MUSIC | Dave Witte, lightning-fast drummer for Richmond punkers Municipal Waste, is beaming, having just returned from playing the Fun Fun Fun Festival in Austin, Texas — a weekend of music that featured the usual parade of hot new hipster groups but also Witte's personal punk rock heroes.

"We had the pleasure of playing with Bad Brains, Adolescents, Cro-Mags and Killdozer," he says proudly.

And as it happened, Barack Obama was elected president as Witte's band of hairy, merry men wound its way back home. Witte says that has left everyone in the band feeling perkier than usual.



DISPOSABLE POP: You find strage things in rubbish, including an entire punk band.

'We just changed the lyrics to our song 'I Want To Kill the President' to 'I Want To Chill With the President," he says.

Meanwhile, Municipal Waste

has been busy in the studio recording its forthcoming, fourth fulllength, which the expert drummer promises will be "a little bit more serious" than the last one.

That's hard to believe, seeing that their latest record, "The Art of Partving," features humorous hardcore classics like "Septic Detonation" and "Thrashing's My Business ... And Business Is Good."

But Witte says the punk quartet is misunderstood. "People see us as this goofy thing," he says. "They miss the seriousness of the playing attached to the good time."

It's unlikely anyone would question Witte's skills on the skins, however. Before backing Municipal Waste, Witte kept time for speedy spazz units Melt Banana and Discordance Axis — two of the fastest bands known to man.

Not ones to stay off the road for long, Municipal Waste has scheduled a shred session for Sunday at the Rock and Roll Hotel. Prepare for some serious headbanging, but try not to break your funny bone. JOHNATHAN RICKMAN

→ Rock and Roll Hotel, 1353 H St. NE; with Magrudergrind, Misery Index, Sun., 8 p.m., \$12; 202-388-7625.

GALLERY | WATCH IT



BEST TIME OF YOUR LIFE:

At Goethe-Institut, German photographer Wolfram Hahn captures the magic and joy of childhood in "The Disenchanted Playroom," a series of disquieting pictures of children having the spark drained out of them by mass culture — in this case, watching TV.

Really Endless Love

'Twilight's' stars talk about the speculation - and the screaming

HOT TOPICS | Millions will rush to theatres come midnight Friday, sporting "Mrs. Cullen" T-shirts, fake fangs, and with tickets in hand.

"Twilight" is the first in Stephenie Meyer's four-part book series about forbidden love between smalltown girl Bella Swan and sexy vampire Edward Cullen. It's also, now, a film, which has generated a fan base so fervid - and with such high expectations — that the studio is hedging its bets by sending out the film's stars to enchant the story's acolytes.

Last Thursday, Kristen Stewart and Nikki Reed, who play Bella and

the vampire Rosalie, respectively, seemed ready to face the frenzy of 500 fans at Fairfax's Fair Oaks Shopping Center. (Stewart's costar, Robert Pattinson, who plays the dreamy Cullen, stopped at a California Hot Topic last week; the subsequent mayhem left four people with minor injuries.)

Already, the two have had their personal share of overexcited fans.

"I was in Rome and literally dragged out of a bookstore by security and thrown into the back of a van. Literally, thrown," recalls Stewart. "The van was rocking, and that is a problem. Crowds of people can be quite scary."

With all that attention and ticket pre-sales soaring, the "Twilight" movie cast has felt pressure, partic-



UNDYING LOYALTY: Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson as the tormented teens.

ularly Stewart and Pattinson as the beacons of the film and a popular love story's central couple.

"There's a lot of hype, and people

have really high expectations," said Reed. "We want people to enjoy it and feel satisfied with it."

Telling the "tall love story," as

Stewart calls it, has proven difficult. Talk of additional scenes not in the book has spurred some negative talk among fans. To that, Reed and Stewart say the movie is not the book.

"We did re-shoots and additional scenes where [we] felt like the vampires didn't have enough history," said Reed. "Otherwise, we just feel too modern and that's the opposite of what the characters represent."

"They were very quick flashes and very subjective," Stewart adds. "Some scenes from the book have been combined or dialogue is moved, but it's all essentially the same thing."

The two are used to vindicating their movie against naysayers and as avid readers of the book series, Reed and Stewart stand behind their work

"Changes needed to be made," said Stewart. "But I feel like everybody that's read the book and all the girls that love the book would probably approve." ADAORA OTIJI



TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

| Quantum of Solace

Daniel Craig stars in the newest and most joyless installment of one of cinema's most venerable franchises. ANN HORNADAY

2 | Madagascar: Escape 2

Visually captivating, this sequel to the 2005 hit about zoo animals on the lam suffers from a plethora of subplots and suggestive humor aimed at viewers in the upper range of its PG-rated demographic. ANN HORNADAY

3 | Role Models

In this comedy, Paul Rudd and Seann William Scott play dimwit losers who must do 150 hours of community service mentoring troubled teens — or go to jail. NEELY TUCKER

4 | High School Musical 3: Senior Year

A barrage of poppy ballads and ambitious production numbers, this movie subscribes to the "more is more" school of entertainment. ANN HORNADAY



SHOOT FOR FIRST PLACE: "Quantum of Solace" continues the Bond franchise.

5 | Changeling

'Changeling" is a totally star-driven vehicle missing something very essential — director Clint Eastwood's story-driven filmmaking. JOHN ANDERSON

6 | Zack and Miri Make a

Despite the crude humor, standard plot and one gross-out scene, you'll laugh out loud - everyone onscreen seems to be having so much fun. NEELY TUCKER

7 | Soul Men

Samuel L. Jackson and the late Bernie Mac look and sound good as a pair of washed-up backup singers who come

out of retirement, but in the end, that's not enough. MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN

8 | The Secret Life of Bees

Laid on as thick as honey over cornbread, this movie will cloy or delight, depending on your tolerance for syrupy sentiment. MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN

9 | Saw V

Torture gets a fifth installment in this bloody unstoppable series. "Saw V" was not screened for review.

10 | The Haunting of Molly Hartlev

Teen horror co-starring Chace Crawford of "Gossip Girl." The Post did not review this film.

Indies&Arties

Tiny Country, Big Cinema

The small Eastern European country of Slovenia has maintained a presence in the world and a surprisingly excellent tradition of national cinema. Thursday is the last day at AFI Silver to catch some of the selections from that catalog, including the erotic fairy tale "Guardian of the Frontier" and the dramatic but detached examination of human trafficking in Slovenia, "Spare

→ AFI SILVER, 8633 COLESVILLE ROAD, THU., 5 P.M. ("SPARE PARTS"), 9:15 P.M. ("GUARD-IAN"), \$10, 301-495-6720, AFI.COM/SILVER. (SILVER SPRING)

'American Psycho'

Before he was Batman, he was Bateman. Christian Bale stars as the horrifyingly cold businessman with a taste for bright knives and warm blood in the film adaptation of Brett Easton Ellis' controversial "American Psycho." The ultimate parable about '80s greed and vanity is this week's fitting chapter in the weekly "Friday and Saturday Midnights at E Street Cinema" series, so throw an extra shot in the latte and stay up scared.

→E STREET CINEMA, 555 IITH ST. NW; FRI.-SAT.,



A still from Yoshida's "Funuke, Show Some Love, You Losers!'

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Any image remaining in Japanese pop culture of the stere otypical placid and loving family model gets hammered in Daihachi Yoshida's latest film, "Funuke, Show Some Love, You Losers!" Showing on Friday as part of "Roadstothe Interior: Another Side of Japanese Cinema," the dark comedy uses a tragic death to peel back the layers of one comically dysfunctional and frustrated family.

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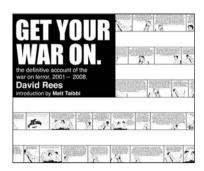
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Ponies on The Prance

If the word "ponies" sends your heart into flutters. then the three performances from the prancing white Lipizzaner Stallions might be just the recipe for a weekend of guilty pleasure. It's the third longestrunning touring attraction in America and it's coming to the Patriot Center Friday and Saturday. → Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle Fairfax: Fri & Sat., 7:30 p.m.; Sat., 2 p.m; \$24.50-\$40, 703-993-3000, patriotcenter.com.



Still Angry The word "sarcasm" vastly understates the biting tone of David Rees' serialized, adapted and animated cartoon, "Get Your War On." With the release of his updated collection of strips, seven years of dissecting American domestic and foreign policy under the Bush administration comes to an end. Rees appears at Busboys and Poets on Sunday for a discussion and book signing.

→ Busboys and Poets, 1390 V St. NW; Sun., 6-8 p.m., free, 202-387-7638, busboysandpoets.com. (U St.-Cardozo)



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→ THURSDAY

9:30 Club: Hammers & Strings: An Evening with Jacks Mannequin and the Glass Passenger, Fun & Treaty of Paris, 6:30 p.m., sold out.

Birchmere: Rhonda Vincent & the Rage, 7:30 p.m., \$29.50.

Blues Alley: Wallace Roney, 8 & 10 p.m., \$25.

Crossroads: Jamaica Me Crazy Happy hour with live reggae, 5 p.m.

DC9: Phosphorescent, Virgin Forest, 9:30 p.m., \$10.

Improv: Flip Orley, 8:30 p.m.,

Iota: Dean Fields, Kyler England, 9 p.m., \$10. Jammin' Java: Jim Jeffries, 8 p.m., \$17-\$20

Kennedy Center: The Georgetown Quintet. 6 p.m., free, NSO: Yakov Kreizberg. conductor, Lars Vogt, piano, plays Mozart, 7 p.m., \$20-\$80.

The Red & the Black: Rosewood Thieves, Bamboo Shoots, 9 p.m., \$8,

Rock and Roll Hotel: Drunken Jenga. 8 p.m., free.

State Theatre: The Radiators, 8:30 p.m., \$22.

The Barns at Wolf Trap: Ari Hest, the Luke Brindlev Band, 8 p.m.

The Red & the Black: Rosewood Thieves, 9 p.m., \$8.

Verizon Center: The Eagles, 7:30 p.m., \$53-\$188.

Wolf Trap: Ari Hest, Luke Brindley Band, 8 p.m., \$16.

→ FRIDAY

9:30 Club: Umphreys McGee, the Heavy Pets, 8 p.m., \$25.

Birchmere: Catie Curtis, Lori McKenna, 7:30 n.m., \$25.

Black Cat: French Kicks, Bear Hands, 9 p.m., \$13-\$15.

Crossroads: Escape Happy Hour and Dance Party, 5 p.m.

DC9: Liberation Dance Party, 9 p.m., \$6. George Mason University. Center for

the Arts: Jazz for Justice concert, 8 p.m., \$20.

Iota: Cobra Collective, U.S. Royalty, Paola Reserve, 9 p.m., \$10.

Jammin' Java: Gavin Mikhail, 7 p.m., \$10. Kennedy Center: Aaron Diehl, 6 p.m., free. KC Jazz Club: Frank Wess Quintet, 7:30 & 9:30 p.m., sold out. NSO: Yakov

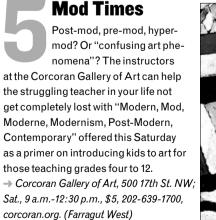
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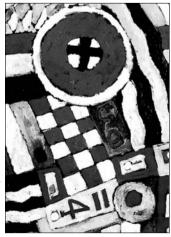
The journey of love gets a classic touch at MetroStage with "Isn't It Romantic." Fan favorite Jimi Ray Malary head-

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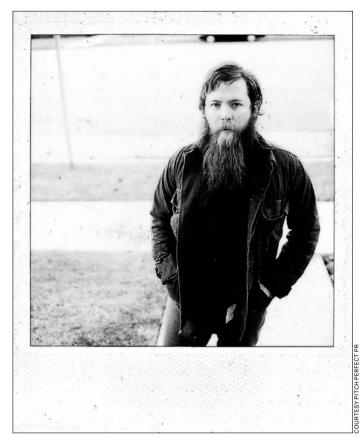


topstops

Burning Bright Like it or not, beards are the indie-rock fashion essential, and with the resurgence of folk, the scraggly face-dressing is here to stay. Phosphorescent represents the trend and sound at DC9 on Thursday. His heartfelt melodies are perfect for a cold November night. → DC9, 1940 9th St. NW; Thu., 9:30 p.m., \$10, 202-483-5000, dcnine.com. (U St.-Cardozo)

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FREAK FOLK | STRANGE DAYS INDEED



CLICK HERE: Call it freak folk and maybe that will describe the strange sounds and words coming from Raymond Raposa's mouth on Sunday night. Raposa plays under the name Castanets and appears at DC9 with Miles Benjamin Anthony Robinson. It's creates a sense of musical isolation that leaves the listener a little bewildered, but still coming back for more.

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Kreizberg, conductor, Lars Vogt, piano, plays Mozart, 8 p.m., \$20-\$80.

The Red & the Black: Homegoing, Run & Kidney Man, the Treading Lemmings, 9 p.m., \$8.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Subtle, Zach Hill, Pattern Is Movement, 8:30 p.m., \$14.

Twins Jazz: Lafayette Gilchrist & the New Volcanoes, 9 & II p.m., \$15.

Wolf Trap: A Tribute to Warren Zevon with Jon Carroll, John Jennings, Patty Reese, the Cravin' Dogs, Little Pink, Janine Wilson, the Hanson Brothers, Mike Cotter, Billy Coulter, David Kitchen, GHZ, the Alexandria Kleztet, Bill Starks, Paper Umbrella, Rocky Roberts, 8 p.m., \$20.

→ SATURDAY

9:30 Club: Umphreys McGee, 7 p.m., \$25. Birchmere: Jimmy Thackery & the Drivers, the Cathy Ponton King Band, 7:30 n.m., \$25.

Crossroads: Energy Dance Party with DJ Chick, DJ Book, DJ Supa Scotty and Mr. Majestic, IO p.m.

George Mason University, Center for the Arts: Fairfax Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m., \$35-\$55.

Iota: Bombadil, AA Bondy, 9:30 p.m., \$12. Jammin' Java: Rocknoceros, II a.m. & 2 p.m., \$10. Tracy Grammer, 7 p.m., \$15. The Dreamscapes Project, 9:30 p.m., \$10-\$12.

Kennedy Center: The New Washingtonians, 6 p.m., free, Ellington Voices: Classical to Jazz with Nnenna Freelon & Harolyn Blackwell, 7:30 p.m., sold out. NSO: Yakov Kreizberg, conductor, Lars Vogt, piano, plays Mozart, 8 p.m., \$20-\$80. Lisner Auditorium: Raas Chaos, 7 p.m.,

The Red & the Black: The Oranges Band, Deleted Scenes, 9 p.m., \$8. Rock and Roll Hotel: Justin Jones & the Driving Rain, 9:30 p.m., free.

→ SUNDAY

9:30 Club: Jedi Mind Tricks, Outerspace, Reef the Lost Cauze, King Magnetic, 7 p.m., \$17. DJ Bob Mould & Richard Morel, II:30 p.m., \$12.

Birchmere: Vince Gill, 7:30 p.m., sold out. Crossroads: Dancehall Sundays with DJ Jason Steele, DJ Supa Scotty and DJ Continued on E16



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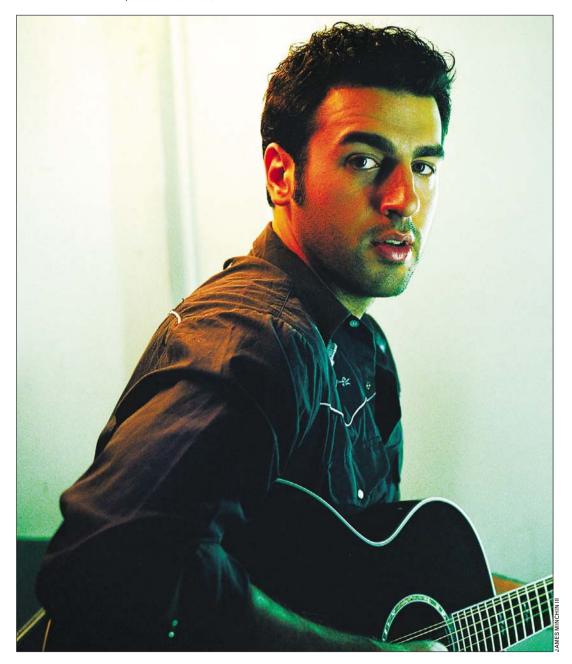
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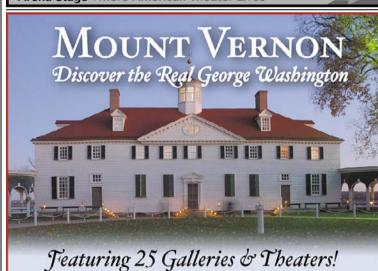
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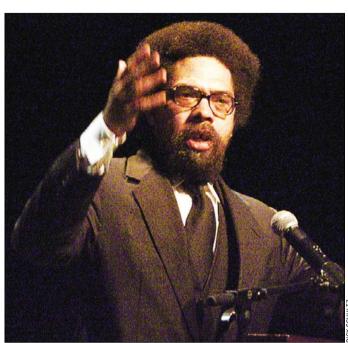
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Provocateur West

NEW YORK TIMES best-selling-author and Princeton University professor Dr. Cornel West's new book, "Hope on a Tightrope: Words and Wisdom," includes a snippet about each of his passions, and there are many. West, known for his provocative teachings on racial justice (including his classic work, "Race Matters") describes the ongoing struggle to balance hope and reality in his new book. West's message is overall a positive one; he promises that change is possible, evident by the groundbreaking election of Barack Obama. West's collection of quotes, photographs, letters and essays is said to be as inspirational as his speeches. He will discuss his new book on Friday evening at Busboys and Poets. 2021 14th St. NW; 6:30-8:30 p.m.; 202-387-7638. (USt.-Cardozo) KATIE LITVIN



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Jammin' Java: Pete and J, 7:30 p.m., \$10. Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage: "Dr. Billy Taylor's Big Band Book", 6 p.m.,

Kennedy Center: JAM On U All-Stars & Afro Blue, 6 p.m., free, Melodies of the Vast Steppes of Kazakhstan, 7:30 p.m.,

The Red and the Black: Finyer Four. Jerad Finck, Alexis George, 9 p.m., \$8. Rock and Roll Hotel: Municipal Waste, Magrudergrind, Misery Index.

7:30 p.m., \$12.

Verizon Center: Tina Turner, 7 p.m., \$59.50-\$153.

State Theatre: The Hackensaw Boys, 9 p.m., \$12-\$15.



Aaron Gallery: "Cabada," recent paintings, through Nov. 30. 1717 Connecticut Ave. NW: 202-234-33II. aarongallervdc.com.

American Association for the **Advancement of Science: "Science** Covers and Sculptures," original artwork appearing on the cover of Science magazine, and science-based sculpture. through Jan. 9. I2th & H streets, NW; 202-326-6400, aaas.org.

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Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: "Moving Perspectives: Video Art From Asia," a rotating series of Asian visual art. "Liu Lan" by Yang Fudong draws upon Chinese painting and folklore; Cao Fei and Ou Ning's "San Yuan Li" explores the transformation of China's urban landscape, both through Nov. 30. "Seascapes: Tryon & Sugimoto," through Jan. 25, "Garden and Cosmos: The Royal Paintings of Johpur," sumptuous paintings from India, through Jan. 4. 1050 Independence Ave.

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ARTiculate Gallery: "My World, Your World, Our World," architectural art of D.C. landmarks, ongoing. IIOO I6th Street NW; 202-26I-0204, wvsarts.org.

Civilian Art Projects: "Darfur/Darfur," through Dec. 6. "Pastime," contemporary photography, through Dec. 6. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-0022.

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Corcoran Gallery of Art: "Richard Avedon: Portraits of Power," through Jan. 25. "Wounded Cities: Photographs by Leo Bubinfien." "Flena del Rivero: Home Suite," art inhabiting the space between domestic space and public activity, through Sun. 500 I7th St. NW; 202-6391700, corcoran.org.

DEA Museum: "Good Medicine, Bad Behavior: Drug Diversion in America," ongoing exhibits, through Dec. 31. 700 Army Navy Drive, Arlington; 202-307-3463, deamuseum.org.

District Fine Arts: "Sidney Lawrence -Recent Works," oil paintings and drawings, and an illustrated travel diary. through Jan. 17. 1639 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-328-9100, dfaonline.com.

Edison Place Gallery: "Aquifer," liquidy sculptures celebrating that thing that covers 2/3 of our earth, through Dec. 19, 702 8th St. NW; 202-234-7103, wpadc.org.

Ellipse Arts Center: "Uncommon Beauty," artwork taking on cultural taboos, through Dec. 13. 4350 Fairfax Drive, Arlington: 703-228-7710, arlingtonarts.org/ellipseartcenter.htm.

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TheScene

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Foundry Gallery: "In Oxford," toned prints of photographs of the Eastern Shore. "Rivers of Silk," paintings on silk," "Patricia Zannie," collages made of magazines, ink and watercolor, all through Nov. 30. 1314 18th St. NW; 202-463-0203, foundrygallery.org.

Freer Gallery of Art: "Guests of the Hills: Travelers and Recluses in Chinese Landscape Painting," through Feb. 22. Jefferson Drive & I2th Street SW; 202-633-I000, asia.si.edu.

The Gallery at Flashpoint: "Airscapes," photo prints of clouds, through Dec. 20. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1305, flashpointdc.

Fraser Gallery: "Six Photographers," group exhibition featuring six photographers who recently published books, including Joyce Tenneson, Maxwell MacKenzi and Washington Post columnist Frank Van Riper, through Jan. 3. 770 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651, thefrasergallery.com.

Gallery Neptune: "Another Level," paintings by John Aquilino, through Dec. 20. 500I Wilson Lane, Bethesda; 30I-7I8-0809. gallervneptune.com.

H & F Fine Arts: "Aquí Estamos (Here We Continued on E20



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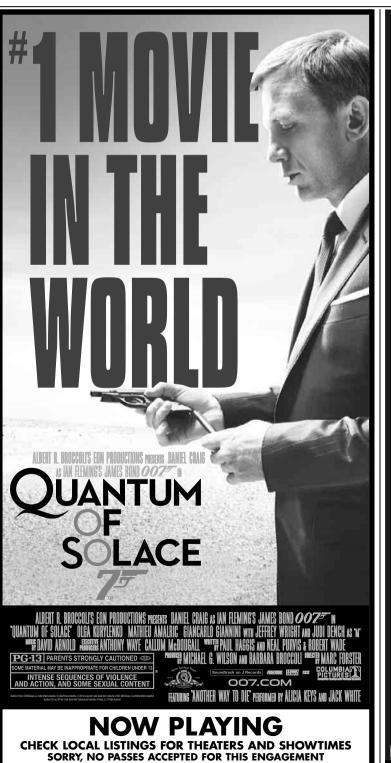


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iectionist." drawings and photographs by Kendall Messick, through Dec. 20. I5I5 14th St. NW; 202-234-560I, hemphillfinearts.com.

Hillwood Estate & Museum: "Fragile Persuasion: Russian Porcelain and the Fine Art of Propaganda," through Dec. 31. 4I55 Linnean Ave. NW; 202-686-5807, hillwoodmuseum.org.

Hillyer Art Space: "Known Unknowns," photography group show curated by Amanda Maddox in conjunction with Fotoweek D.C., through Dec. 21. "The Burden of Representation: Contemporary Iranian Photography," through Dec. 21. 9 Hillyer Court NW; 202-333-0680,





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Hirshhorn: "Currents: Recent Acquisitions," through Sun. Black Box: "Semiconductor," a short film from artists Ruth Jarman and Joseph Gerhardt, through Dec. 14. "Directions: Terence Gower, Public Spirit," features plans for Hirshorn's artbased town in the wilderness of Canada, through March 22. 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, hirsh horn.org.

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Irvine Contemporary: "Regime Change Begins at Home," politically themed works by Al Farrow, Shepard Fairey and Paul D. Miller (aka DJ Spooky), through Dec. 6. 1412 14th St. NW; 202-332-8767, irvinecontemporary.com.

Jerusalem Fund Gallery: "Photos to Develop," photographs by Jordanian children, through Jan. 16. 2425 Virginia Ave. NW; 202-338-1958, thejerusalemfund. org/gallery.

Koshland Science Museum: "Global Warming Facts & Our Future." "Infectious Disease: Evolving Challenges to Human Health." "Wonders of Science." 6th & E streets NW; 202-334-I20I, koshland-science-museum.org.

Kreeger Museum: "Ledelle Moe," works by the recipient of Kreeger's 2008 artist award, through Nov. 29. 240I Foxhall Road NW; 202-338-3552, kreeger museum.org.

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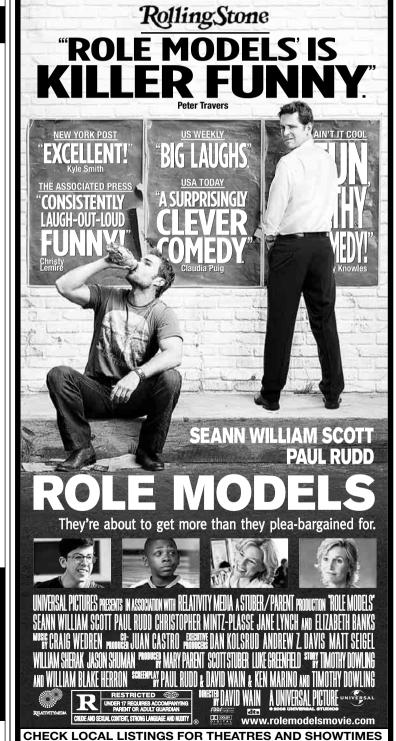
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Disease," through Dec. 19. 2100 C St. NW; 202-334-2436, nasonline.org.

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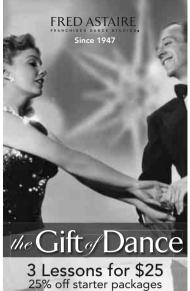
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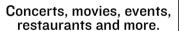
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FROM SHELF TO DINING ROOM: Barracks Row's Chat's Liquors has been anchoring the neighborhood for many decades.

A Grape Holiday

Burnie Williams' wine tips dress up your Thanksgiving table

PAIRINGS | Before Barracks Row was flooded with new bars and restaurants, it housed a tiny store that's survived prohibition, changes in ownership and the 1960s riots to serve its Eastern Market neighbors choice beverages.

Burnie Williams is now the caretaker of Chat's Liquors. He has childhood memories of "dusting bottles, stocking the soda refrigerators and help[ing] bag customer purchases." But after the sudden loss of his father in 1999, Williams and his sister took control of one of the oldest liquor stores in the District, which has been family owned since 1978.

The story of Chat's isn't just about liquor. Williams brings a sense of community to his store, sharing his wide smile and greeting every patron by name. Ask Williams about any boutique wine or trendy bourbon and he'll know where to point you. "It's our duty to ... educate our customers and to hopefully offer them products that arouse their curiosity and interest." In that spirit, Chat's offers free tastings every weekend. Williams even hosts local wine dinners; the next is at Laconda on Dec. 10 featuring five courses with pairings.

It's our duty to ... educate our customers and ... arouse their curiosity and interest."

Here are some of Williams' recommendations for Thanksgiving refreshments in his own words:

APERITIF: Foss Marai Extra Dry Prosecco NV (\$17.99). Its ... creamy texture and seductive bubbles make for a very pleasant sipper. This bubbly will gently prepare your senses for what's to come.

DINNER: Pinot noir is the top red for turkey. David Noves Sonoma County Pinot Noir 2006 (\$19.99) is a rich but balanced pinot with beautiful aromas of toasted black cherries and cinnamon. An earthy undertone adds complexity, while supple tannins provide a seamless finish. This is one of the best values out of Sonoma; only 1,425 cases were produced.

DINNER: Mercer Pinot Gris 2006 (\$15.99) from Columbia Valley, Wash. I like this wine with its unctuous white fruit and melon flavors, subtle spice and brilliant acidity. With all the flavors that will be on the table, this wine won't distract. **DESSERT:** Castello Di Poppiano Vin Santo Della Torre Grande 2001 (\$21.99). This wine reminds you of sherry [and is] an Old World style with aromas of dried fruits and toasted nuts. These flavors will marry well with the cinnamon and vanilla in pumpkin pie.

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IN HOT WATER: A soothing cup of tea will help ease the stresses of the holidays.

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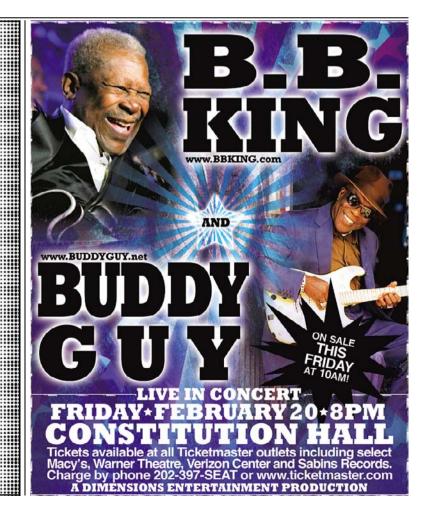
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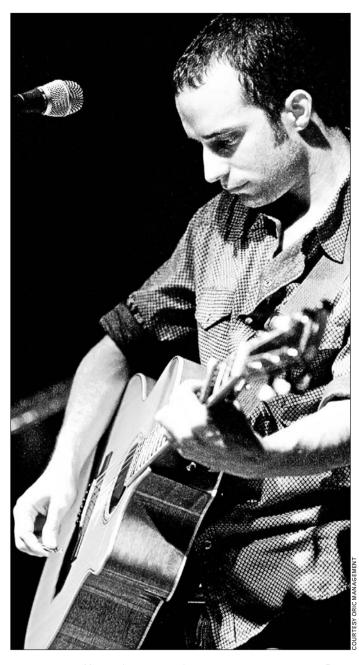
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National Geographic: "Odysseys and Photographs — Masters From the National Geographic Archives," through Jan. 4. "Whales | Tohora," stories, skeletons and interactive objects, through Jan. 18. II45 17th St. NW: 202-857-7588. nationalgeographic.com/museum.

National Museum of African Art: "Txt-Styles: Fashioning Identity," African culture through textiles, through Dec. 8. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-I000, africa.si.edu.

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Arts: "A Moveable Feat: The Book as Art." through Nov. 30, "Beyond Tradition: The Pueblo Pottery of Tammy Garcia," through Feb. 3. "Role Models: Feminine Identity in Contemporary American Photography," through Jan. 25. "Mary Cassatt: Friends and Family," through Jan. 25. I250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000, nmwa.org.

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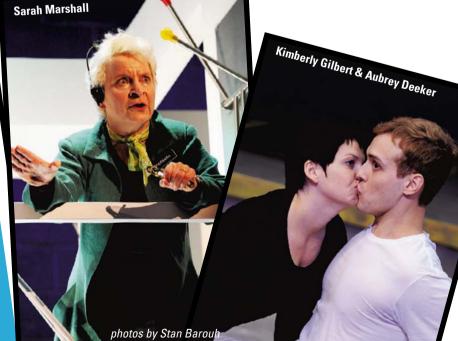
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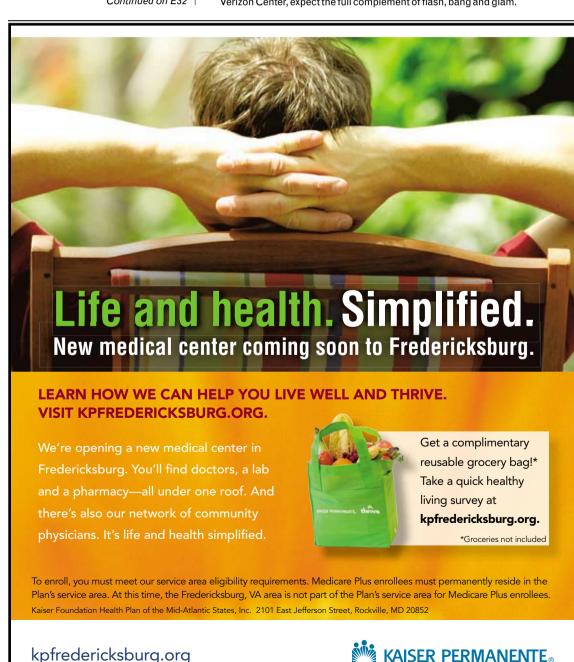
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Phillips Collection: "Christo and Jeanne-Claude: Over the River, a Work in Progress," they plan to suspend their fabric art over the Arkansas River - check in on their preparations here, through Jan. 25. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151, phillp-Continued on E32

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SHAKE IT: Most people would be ready to take a little break after 40 years of performing, but Tina Turner is still bringing her hyper-sexualized and leggy brand of R&B to the stage. When Turner comes to town on Saturday at the Verizon Center, expect the full complement of flash, bang and glam.



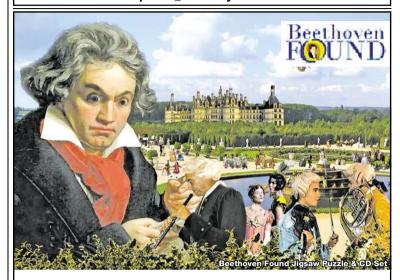




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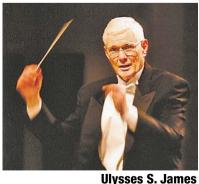
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Project 4 Gallery: "Wright," works exploring the Wright auction house in Chicago, through Dec. 6. "Thomas Muller," sculpture, photography and mixed media, through Dec. 6. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340, project4gallery.com.

R Street Gallery: "Photofields 2008," trippy photo montages by Michael W. Barnard, through Dec. 6. 2108 R St. NW; 202-588-1701, rstgallery.com.

Renwick Gallery: "Lino Tagliapietra in Retrospect: A Modern Renaissance in Glass," through Jan. II. American crafts and decorative arts. 17th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, americanart.si.edu/renwick/index.cfm.

Reyes + Davis Independent Exhbitions: "The Fisherwomen," paintings and drawings by Judy Jashinsky, through Nov. 28. 923 F St. NW; Room 302; 202-255-5050, revesdavis com.

Smithsonian American Art Museum:
"Earth and Sky: Photographs by Barbara Bosworth," through Sun. "Georgia
O'Keefe & Ansel Adams: Natural Affinities," through Jan. 4. "The Honor of Your
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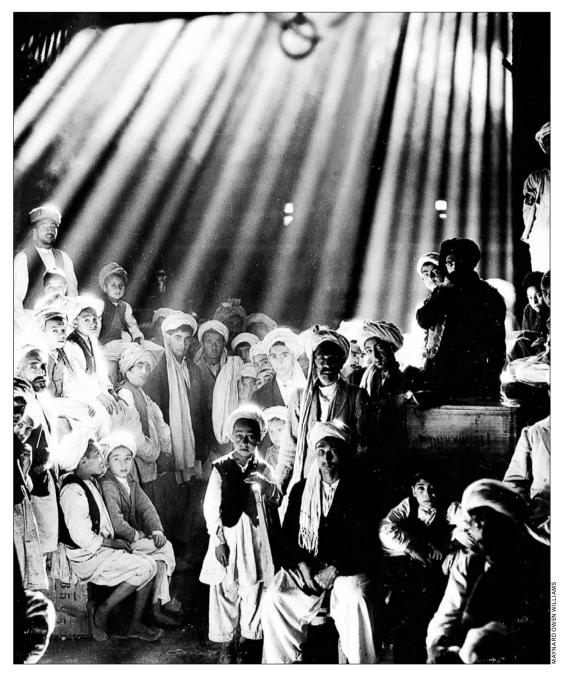
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tographs of the civil rights movement, 1956-1968," opens Sat., through March 9. IIOO Jefferson Drive SW: 202-633-475I. nmaahc.si.edu.

Stanford in Washington Art Gallery:

"Politics, etcetera," works commenting on our current political scene, through Jan. 3I. 266I Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-6235

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LAST CHANCE Target Gallery: "Travis Graves: Finding Equilibrium," mixed media. including metal, magnets and wood, through Sun. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565, torpedofactory.org.

Textile Museum: "Timbuktu to Tibet: Rugs and Textiles of the Hajji Babas," explores rugs and textiles in diverse cultures, through March 8, 2320 S St. NW: 202-667-044I, textilemuseum.org.

Touchstone Gallery: "A Different View," photographs on black paper. "Be: There, A Photographic Essay on Contemporary Lounge by Michael Lang," photos about the birth of the Be Bar, both through Dec. 6. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787, touchstonegallery.com

Transformer Gallery: Nilay Lawson's "If You Didn't Know What This Was, Would You Know What This Is?," Lawson's first solo show explores the process of creation and the idea of its terminal points, through Dec. 6, I404 P St. NW; 202-483-IIO2, transformergallery.org.

U.S. Botanic Garden: Permanent exhibitions of more than 4,000 plants and a tropical rain forest, ongoing. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333, usbg.org.

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum: "A Dangerous Lie: Protocols of the Elders

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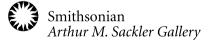




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Zenith Gallery: "The Medium Is the Message." Jodi (no last name) uses environmentally safe materials in her paintings; Paul Martin Wolff makes luminous sculptures, through Nov. 30, "Lenscape," artsy photos of D.C.'s most famous monuments. part of FotoWeek D.C., through Nov. 30. 4I3 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963, zenith gallery.com.



Altar Boyz: The story of a Christian boy band that seriously rocks, through Jan. 3, \$25-\$70. Bethesda Theatre, 7719 Wis-Continued on E36 **STAGE | BAD GIRLS**



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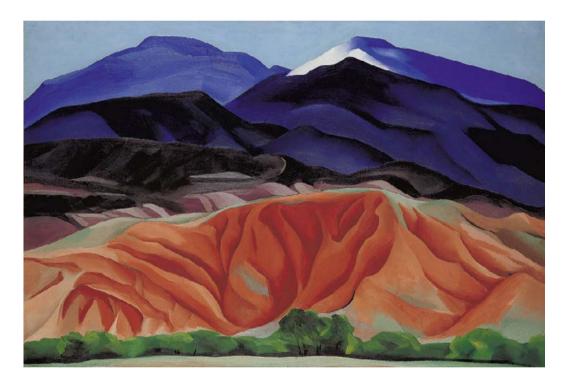


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Boom: Fish, sex, science and the end of the world meet in Peter Sinn Nachtreib's comedy. Hey — it's Woolly Mammoth, through Dec. 7, \$15-\$60. Woolly Mam-

moth Theatre, 64I D St. NW; 202-393-

3939, woollymammoth.net.

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Closet Land: The Molotov Theatre Group presents a psychological thriller focusing on torture ... wonderful, through Dec. 3, \$18. Playbill Café, I409 I4th St. NW; molotovtheatre.org.

Dublin Carol: A grumpy, penny-pinching misanthrope has a Christmastime reflection, through Dec. I4., \$20. Quoditian The



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Fuego Flamenco IV: Gala's annual flamenco festival showcasing the sexy Spanish dance, through Dec. 7, \$30. Gala Hispanic Theatre, 3333 I4th St. NW; 202-204-7763, galatheatre.org.

GALLERY | SAFETY ART



LOW IMPACT: Textured, environmentally safe expression is the focus of "Symphony," above, for Canadian artist Jodi (no last name) and her black and white minimalism is on display as part of "The Message Is the Medium" at Zenith Gallery.

Grey Gardens: The cult documentary about Big and Little Edie Beale - impoverished and mentally unstable relatives of Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy - becomes a musical, through Dec. 2I, \$49-\$69, Studio Theatre, I50I I4th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

Honey Brown Eyes: Theater J's new play examines the atrocities of the Bosnian war in the early '90s, through Nov. 30, \$30-\$50, I529 I6th St. NW: 800-494-8497, washingtondcicc.org.

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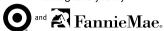
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24 MON * Bobby Felder's Capitol All-Stars with Dick Smith / The Orioles / The Jewels

Three groups present the legendary musical history of D.C.'s Howard Theatre. ■

25 TUE \star Howard University Jazz Ensemble and Sharon Clark

Selections from Count Basie whose hand performed at The Lincoln Colonnade.

26 WED * George Botts, Whit Williams, Fred Foss. Bob Butta, James King, and Winard Harper

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27 THU * Larry Willis Trio, **Buck Hill, Jacques "The** Saxman" Johnson and Friends, and Dr. Bill Clark

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28 FRI \star The Young Lions

Musical arrangements from the Bohemian Caverns. ■

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Highlights of Charlie Byrd's tenure at D.C.'s Showboat Lounge.

20 THU ★

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30 SUN * Rvan Monahan

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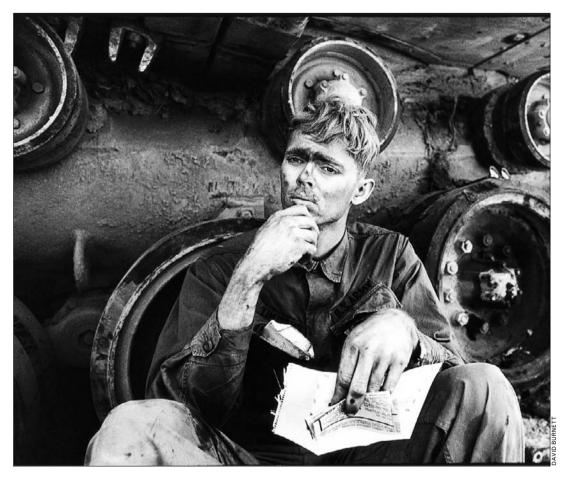
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Plateau at National Harbor, 201 Harborview Ave., Oxon Hill; cirquedusoleil.com. LAST CHANCE Legend of Sleepy Hol-

low: The story of the headless horseman. for kids, through Sun., \$10. Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, I25 S. Glebe Road,

Arlington; 703-228-1850, arlingtonarts.org. The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe: C.S. Lewis's beloved children's classic presented in two man theater for children, runs till Dec. 21., \$12-\$15. Adventure Theatre, 7300 MacArthur Blvd.; 301-

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Midsummer Night's Dream: Nick Olcott presents Benjamin Britten's minimalistic operatic take on Shakespeare's classic, through Fri., \$20. Clarice Smith Center. Route 193 & Stadium Drive. College Park; 30I-405-

634-2270, adventuretheatre.org.

2787, claricesmithcenter.umd.edu. THIS WEEKEND ONLY Miranda Is

Morning: Miranda goes on a crosscountry road trip to finish some unfinished business for her dead mother. Thu, & Fri. 7:30 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 2 & 7:30 p.m., \$12. Catholic University, 620 Michigan Ave. NE; 202-319-4000, drama.cua.edu.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Miss Nelson

Is Missing!: An elementary school class searches for its missing teacher, opens Sat., through Jan. 4, \$10-\$21. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda; 30I-280-1660, imaginationstage.org.

Next to Normal: The story of a "normal" family functioning in today's overstimulated society - sound familiar?, opens Fri., through Jan. 18. \$61-\$66. Arena Stage Crystal City, 1800 S. Bell St., Arlington; 202-248-3300, arenastage.org.

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Solennelle: The Washington National Opera performs Rossini's final work, structured as a Catholic mass. Fri., 7:30 p.m.; Sat. 7 p.m., \$50-\$300. Kennedy Center Opera House, 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600 or 800-444-1324, kennedy-center.org

Playing From the Heart: A play based on the life of legendary percussionist Evelyn Glennie, through Nov. 30, \$18.50. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda; 301-280-1660, imagination-

President Harding Is a Rock Star:

This play spotlights our hippest president, Warren G. Harding, who was known for his hard lifestyle, through Nov. 30, D.C. Arts Center, 2438 I8th St. NW; 30I-6I3-7133, landlesstheatrecompany.com.

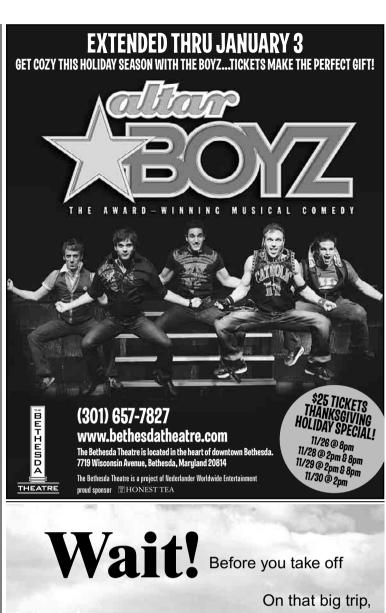
LAST CHANCE Punch: A bloody mess of a punk-rock play from Dog & Pony DC, through Sat., \$15. Mead Theatre Lab, 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1305, flashpointdc.org.

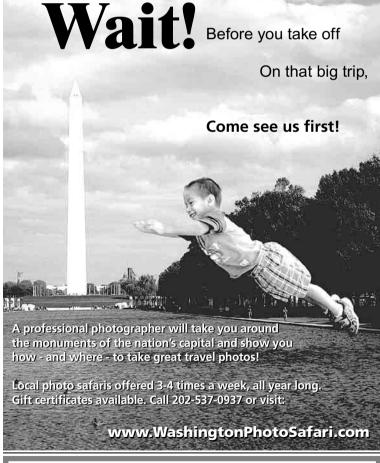
Scrooge, The Musical: A holiday, family friendly, musical spinoff of the Dickens classic, through Dec.7, \$18-\$20. Blair Family Arts Center, 1061 Falls Rd.: 301-299-857I, potomactheatreco.org.

WEEKENDS ONLY Third: Laurie Freed directs Wendy Wasserstein's thoughtprovoking comedy about identity and creative ownership, Fri. & Sat., through Nov. 30. \$13-\$18. Silver Spring Stage. Colesville Road & University Boulevard. Silver Spring; 30I-593-6063, ssstage.

You Better Believe It. They Exist: A

bilingual comedic feud between two sorceresses over who will help their new neighbor build a house, through Dec. 20. \$18. GALA Theatre-Tivoli, 3333 14th St. NW; 202-234-7174, galatheatre.org.





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